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## A NEW HANKOW SITUATION. WHY AGREEMENT WAS NOT SIGNED.

### QUESTIONS REFERRED TO SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

### INSTRUCTIONS AWAITED.

Although the Hankow agreement has, according to the latest information to hand, not yet been signed, there has been no definite breach in the negotiations between Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Chen.

A new situation has been created in consequence of a series of statements made by Mr. Chen, and Mr. O'Malley has deemed it necessary to refer the matter to Sir Austen Chamberlain in order to decide whether the agreement should now be signed.

News from the Yangtze states that a Chinese gunboat attempted to search an Italian gunboat at Kiukiang on the pretext that it was believed to be a Russian vessel. There is the threat of an anti-British labour strike at Ichang.

Progress is reported of the various British naval and military units now on their way to the Far East.

Hankow, Feb. 15. centrating on the Anhui border. The negotiations between Mr. Chen, advancing from Kwangchow, Eugene Chen and Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley are still in abeyance.

The situation in the city is unchanged.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### THE NEGOTIATIONS.

#### No Official News in London.

London, Feb. 15.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, was asked in the House of Commons whether the report that the negotiations at Hankow had broken down was well-founded.

He replied that he had, as yet, received no official report to this effect.—*British Wireless.*

#### AN EXPLANATION.

#### Why Agreement Was Not Signed.

Hankow, Feb. 15.

Mr. O'Malley stated this morning that Mr. Eugene Chen yesterday made a series of statements, partly referring to Sir Austen Chamberlain's recent speech, partly about the agreement and partly about the assurances.

The effect of these statements was to create a new situation; and the agreement was not signed because he (Mr. O'Malley) thought it necessary to put the fresh situation before Sir Austen Chamberlain in order to enable the latter to decide what should be done about the agreement.

Meanwhile, Mr. O'Malley will remain at Hankow and await further instructions.—*Reuter.*

#### NAVAL REPORTS.

#### Labour Strike Threat.

Ichang, Feb. 15. The situation generally is quiet, but the Labour Union have threatened to institute an anti-British labour strike if the impossible demands of the godown men are not met.

Further troop movements down a river are reported.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Fighting at Shasi.

Shasi, Feb. 15.

Fighting broke out to-day between two Divisions, one of which attempted to loot Shasi.—*Naval Wireless.*

[It is not clear from the message what troops are involved in this fighting.]

#### Gunboat Incident.

Kiukiang, Feb. 15. A Chinese gunboat attempted to search the Italian gunboat, "Ermano Carlotto" which arrived here from Anking. The Chinese state that they believed the Italian vessel to be Russian.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Northern Troops Advance.

Chinkiang, Feb. 15. The Northern troops are con-

## WU'S IDLENESS.

### DENOUNCED BY CHANG TSO-LIN.

### REDS CALLED TRAITORS.

A Peking message of Thursday last states that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has issued two important telegrams. The first is to commanders in the Ankuochun in which the Marshal denounces General Feng Yu-hsiang and General Chang Kai-shek as traitors. He accuses the Reds of many crimes. He says he has received many requests from the gentry of Hunan, Hupeh and other provinces for relief.

The Fengtien party was anxious to assist them but Marshal Wu Pei-fu had made himself responsible for the recapture of Hankow and for more than six months had remained quite ineffective in Honan, blocking the Fengtien passage.

#### To Retake Hankow.

The telegram continues: "Our troops cannot fly over that area." Now in Chihli and Shantung the Fengtien army is advancing on different routes and have sworn to retake Hankow, after which it will capture Hunan and Kwangtung.

If Marshal Wu's troops assist them they will be treated as colleagues.

The second telegram was sent to the generals of Marshal Wu Pei-fu's army and similarly announces the advance to the south of Fengtien forces. He hopes for co-operation but says that if any of the generals are pro-Red and seek to prevent the passage of Fengtien troops the Fengtien army will deal with them.

The telegrams are regarded as a distinct warning to Marshal Wu's forces no longer to hinder the Fengtien march against the South.

#### Contents of Telegram.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin's telegram was in the following terms: "Generals Feng Yu-hsiang and Chang Kai-shek have Bolshevized China, both in the north and south, with the support of Soviet Russia, and various places have suffered from hostilities.

"The peoples of Hunan and Hupeh addressed me telegrams urging the despatch of troops, but as I found many difficulties in doing so owing to Honan being under the control of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, I gave the matter careful consideration. Although half a year has elapsed since I despatched my troops to Tzuohow, the military movements of Marshal Wu Pei-fu have had no effect in repulsing his enemies who are gradually increasing in number.

"Upon this, I was compelled to order the Army Corps in the 8rd and 4th Divisions to advance upon the enemy in order to recapture the Wu-han District and further to advance on Hunan and Canton.

"I have determined that I will regard those troops stationed in Honan as 'friendly troops' if they act in concert with us, but if they oppose our armies, I will subjugate them."

#### Regarded As Ultimatum.

Chinese in Peking are taking a serious view of Marshal Chang Tso-lin's circular telegram announcing the despatch of the Fengtien troops to Honan and even regard it as a declaration of war against Marshal Wu Pei-fu and also a dirge of disappearance of the alliance between Marshals Chang and Wu.

In connection with the entry into Honan of the Fengtien troops, it is reported that as the "Red Spear Corps" in Honan, not lending an ear to Marshal Wu's advice, are going to check the advance of the Fengtien troops to the last ditch, a clash between the two forces may be inevitable.

Owing to the entry into Honan of the Fengtien troops, General Chi Hsiang-yuan's troops, stationed along the Peking-Hankow Railway, have retreated to the region to the

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## TERRIBLE EUROPEAN EARTHQUAKE.

### THREE ADRIATIC STATES AFFECTED.

### HUNDREDS OF DEATHS.

London, Feb. 15.

There has been considerable loss of life and damage to property in an earthquake in Herzegovina and Dalmatia. Twelve deaths are reported at Sarajevo and many were killed at Metkovic, Dalmatia.

Nineteen shocks were recorded in the course of twenty minutes. Telephone and telegraph communication with Herzegovina is cut off.—*Reuter.*

#### 1,000 Houses Collapse.

Later.

The latest reports confirm the alarming nature of the earthquake, the deaths being estimated at several hundreds, due to the collapse of 1,000 houses in Bosnia, Herzegovina and Dalmatia.

There was heavy destruction at Ragusa, Cattaro, Spalato and Mostar, and the population is panic-stricken. There were most terrible scenes at Papov Polje, a row of houses being precipitated down the mountain side. The inhabitants perished in the ruins. The centre of the disturbance was apparently under the sea, throwing up large waves and compelling the Dalmatian coast dwellers to flee inland.—*Reuter.*

## HONGKONG LABOUR.

### THE CANTON CONFERENCES.

Representatives of the Labour Unions of Hongkong, who were invited by the Canton Labour Headquarters to go there to confer on the reorganization of the Hongkong Unions, have had a number of conferences with the Canton labourites.

One of the Labour representatives told a reporter that their mission up to Canton was not to plan another strike in Hongkong, as rumoured, but to find some way of reopening those Unions in Hongkong, which are in a bankrupt condition.

Another report states that the conferences were for the purpose of affiliating the Hongkong organisations to the Canton Unions.

## ARMED CLASH.

### FIGHT ON CANTON BUND.

The cargo boatmen in Canton who are on strike on account of their recent dispute with the mechanics, have had another armed clash with the mechanics on the Western Bund jetties.

Pistols were used, and the firing continued for twenty minutes. Thirty were slightly injured and three severely wounded. Large forces of armed police appeared on the scene later and stopped the fight. The rival parties are threatening another armed clash tomorrow.

## SEDITIONARY MATTER?

### THREE SEAMEN CHARGED.

Three Chinese, said to be seamen employed on a "President" boat, were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with being in possession of seditious pamphlets.

The prosecution was conducted by the Director of Criminal Intelligence, Mr. T. H. King, who, in applying for a short remand, stated that the translation of the documents seized was being completed.

The Office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, to-day.

The Magistrate remanded the defendants until tomorrow, at noon.

## WAR COMPROMISE?

### LATEST CHINESE REPORTS.

### WILL CHANGS UNITE?

Reports from Chinese sources state that rumours are prevailing to the effect that General Chang Kai-shek and Marshal Chang Tso-lin are planning an arrangement for co-operation. It is said that General Yang Yu-ting, Chang Tso-lin's chief subordinate, is shortly going to Nanchang to discuss the terms of a compromise with General Chang Kai-shek. However, these reports are still regarded as doubtful, and in some quarters it is thought that they have been propagated by the Southerners who fear to meet the Fengtien troops in actual warfare for the time being, as their strength and equipment compare unfavourably with those of the Fengtienites.

#### Wu Not Wanted.

Another story has it that arrangements for "compromise" may have actually been discussed, but that the ultimate aim, on the part of the Fengtien Army, is merely to get rid of Wu Pei-fu, for it is noteworthy that Wu Pei-fu's name does not appear in the list of military leaders nominated for executive Committee. From this it is believed that both the Nationalists and the Fengtienites wish to get rid of Wu Pei-fu.

#### "Capture" of Shanghai.

Referring to the recent Nationalist reports of the capture of Shanghai, the *Shanghai Times* says: "Of course, Shanghai never learnt anything about it because one of the mysteries of Chinese wars is that one city never does know what other is doing and oftentimes does not know what it is doing itself. The capture of Shanghai was just one of these cases.

It must have been true because the Cantonese military headquarters officially announced it and broadcasted the news, whereas there was great rejoicing. And, as a sort of afterthought, a news item in one of the Hankow papers says that there was adequate confirmation. "The other source which vouched for this information was the Soviet Consulate-General at Hankow," this paper says.

#### Hankow Believed It.

Shanghai still breathes free from Cantonese control but Hankow must have believed the story of the "capture" when it was first announced. The message came from the headquarters at Nanchang and was announced by the Soviet Consul. When the news was received pamphlets were distributed wholesale throughout the city and soldiers dashed around announcing the news.

The story was very circumstantial. The Cantonese troops were supposed to have worked their way from Chekiang into Kiangsu while Sun's troops retreated into Anhui, the first telegram said. The next step was the issue of "extras" by the military headquarters announcing the "fall" of the city.

## NO REGISTER.

### WARNING TO BOARDING HOUSE KEEPERS.

A warning to boarding house keepers was given this morning, when Mrs. White, of Zetland House, Zetland Street, was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Magistracy, for failing to keep a register of visitors, and neglecting to send weekly returns to the Captain Superintendent of Police.

Detective Sub-Inspector Elston said the defendant had been warned five times, and the C.S.P. had written her on the matter on two occasions.

The defendant said she had been ill, and had forgotten. His Worship emphasised the fact that she must keep such a register, and imposed a fine of \$25.

## MORO REBEL LEADER SURRENDERS.

### DATU TAHIL CONFINED TO GAOL.

### SERIOUS CHARGES PENDING.

A Zamboanga message of Wednesday last states that Datu Tahil, who had been at large for ten days following his escape from a cotta attacked by constabulary, surrendered on the previous night to Governor Moore. He was brought into Jolo under protection of Datu Tambuyong and was surrendered at once to the Governor, at the Governor's home.

When informed of the charges of sedition, resistance to authority, and public disturbance, which have been brought against him, Tahil admitted he was in a serious situation and that he understood the law probably would deal harshly with him. Tahil is confined in the provincial gaol.

The following telegram was received at the constabulary headquarters on Wednesday morning, from Colonel Luther R. Stevens, commanding the constabulary forces at Jolo:

"Datu Tahil surrendered last night at 12 o'clock. Two or three leaders are still at large, but I am confident we can get them soon. Inform Governor General."

## JAPAN'S SORROW.

### HOUSE OF LORDS' SYMPATHY.

London, Feb. 15.

In the House of Lords, the Earl of Birkenhead moved that an address be presented to H.M. the King, expressing deep regret at the death of the Emperor of Japan, and praying His Majesty to express to the present Emperor the profound sympathy of the House with the Imperial family, Government and people of Japan.

Lord Birkenhead said that the relations between ourselves and that other great land confronted by so many comparable problems had been too intimate to make it possible for us to pass by the moment of national mourning in Japan without making it plain that we intended, so far as we could, to share her griefs. Lord Birkenhead referred to the great and loyal part played by Japan as Britain's ally in the Great War.

Viscount Haldane, on behalf of the Labour Opposition, and Earl Beauchamp for the Liberal Party, supported the motion, which was agreed to.

A similar resolution has already been passed by the House of Commons.—*British Wireless.*

## HINDU-MOSLEM CLASH.

### SERIOUS AFFAIR AT INDORE.

Bombay Feb. 15.

The *Times of India* reports serious communal rioting at Indore, five persons being killed and 19 injured.

A party of Hindu women were motoring from a religious ceremony and were attacked for allowing music in front of a Moslem mosque. Crowds of worshippers poured out of the building and pelted the offenders with stones and brickbats. A mob followed the cars home, where millworkers swelled the crowd to 2,000. Out-houses were set on fire and police and cavalry were hurried to the scene.

The position is uncertain.—*Reuter.*

## NEW FRENCH BONDS.

### BIG ISSUE QUICKLY COVERED.

Paris, Feb. 15.

A further step towards the consolidation of the French floating debt has been taken with the issue of four milliards of francs worth of 15-year seven per cent Treasury Bonds, which was covered within a few hours. The issue is designed, firstly, to pay off two milliards of francs of 1922 six per cent Bonds falling due in September.—*Reuter.*

## RED TYRANNY.

### DEMANDS ON AMERICAN DOCTOR.

### HUNAN HOSPITAL THREAT.

A correspondent of the *Shanghai Times* reports a nefarious plan to annoy and destroy the Mission Hospital at Yochow, Hunan. Sinister influences have turned the heads of the students in the Nurses' Training School to the extent that a band of nurses-in-training who, a short while ago, were a perfectly satisfied and tractable group of young students, have overnight been turned into a group of fiendish malcontents. Under the urge of radical influence they submitted an ultimatum of twenty-six demands to be complied with within twenty-four hours.

Though the Hospital Staff went to great lengths to meet their demands in a generous and courteous way, the effort was condemned and a strike called. Complaints were made to the local Magistrate, and invidious "manifestoes" disseminated throughout China.

#### Some Of The Demands.

Among the extravagant demands were such as the following:—

That the Nurses' Training School must be immediately registered with the Bureau of Education, though no one concerned can give any address of such bureau, or any regulations under which the thing can at present be done. Nevertheless it was insisted that the registration be accomplished within a month! It is to be noted that the Nurses' School in question is already registered in the "Nurses Association of China," which is the internationally recognized organization, and at the present time, the only known place of registration.

#### Diploma Awards.

That students of the School, regardless of their academic preparation, must be graduated in three years and given diplomas. This in spite of the fact that it is the N.A.C. that grants diplomas; and their requirements are a three years' training course, based on the previous completion of Junior Middle School course. The contention of the striking students is that students of inferior preparation must still be guaranteed graduation and diploma on the same three years' course.

That coolies must be hired by the hospital to do the manual labour that nurses in training are at present expected to do as a part of their training.

That religious exercises in school and hospital must be voluntary.

That a guest room must be built for the Students' Union.

That a monthly appropriation of \$15 be provided for Students' Union activities.

That a student representative should sit with the Faculty.

That fines levied by the staff for neglect of duty should revert to the Students' Union.

That no student should have his diploma delayed. (This is a protest against certain instances where students have been required to make up lost time before graduation.)

#### Magistrate Coerced.

When a residuum of these demands was denied as impossible, the complaint was taken up by the local Magistrate under the urge of the Political Bureau, and the demand was made that everything be conceded. As an alternative, the hospital was to be declared closed, and the Magistrate threatened in that case to take it over.

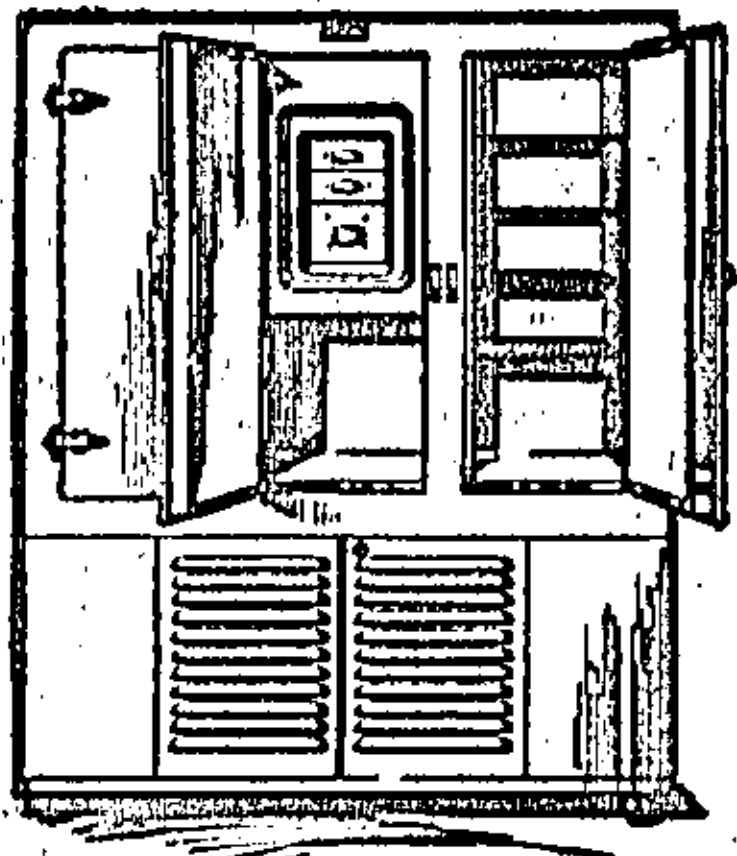
On two occasions the foreign doctor was summoned to the yamen and humiliated and put through harassing experiences before representatives of the striking nurses, the Educational Bureau, the Political Bureau, and soldiers. Under duress he was

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### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### THE Y. M. C. A. AND THE COMING TROOPS

[To the Editor of the Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

Sir,—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the European Y. M. C. A. this evening, a cable was read from the Y. M. C. A. Headquarters, London, saying that Major-General Duncan urges the Association to assist the soldiers coming to the Colony.

The members of the Board, recognising their responsibility, have unanimously decided to meet the pressing needs of the soldiers who will shortly be stationed here and are now preparing a scheme to cope with the critical situation.

The Y. M. C. A. is rendering service for soldiers throughout the world and will do its utmost to give a hospitable reception to the service men who are coming amongst us. The co-operation of the residents of the Colony will be requested to meet the financial obligation that such efforts will involve and the Board is confident that its appeal will receive a ready response.—Yours, etc.,

J. H. HUNT.

Secretary, Y.M.C.A.

Hongkong, February 15, 1926.

#### KOWLOON TONG SQUATTERS.

Sir,—It gives me pleasure to comply with the request of your correspondent "Salus Populi Suprema Lex" to supply the information he desires to have for the benefit of the public on the vital point of the voting leading to the defeat of my motion at the last meeting of the Sanitary Board by a majority of one. I am thus afforded an opportunity to supplement the extended report of the proceedings at that meeting to which so much prominence was given by the Press.

The voting was as follows:  
For the motion.—The mover, the seconder, and Lt.-Col. Boylan Smith, D.S.O., R.A.M.C.

Against.—Mr. Wong Kung-tin, Dr. S. W. Tso, The Hon. the Director of Public Works and Dr. J. C. MacGown.

The President and the Medical Officers of Health did not vote.  
Motion declared lost by one vote.

It will be remembered that Mr. Wong Kung-tin spoke of the villagers of Kowloon Tsai who had settled there for generations—300 or 400 years. On what authority Mr. Wong supported his assertion he left it to the imagination of the meeting to discover. At any rate, he advanced no proof in support of his statement. It must have been purely guesswork. That is beside the point, however. I replied that the speaker's "oratory" was so much waste of powder and shot, since it had missed its mark.

The motion then under discussion must be read in the light of the questions that went before it, at the previous meeting of the Board. And they referred to the new permits on the newly filled in Crown land bordering the nullah running along the main thoroughfare known, I believe, as the "Montague Ede Road."

It was the cancellation of the permits of these new holders that the motion was aimed at. It did not apply to all the squatters. Assuming, for the sake of argument, that in the interest of the public health the villagers in the vicinity of Kowloon Tong should be resumed for public improvements, I cited the precedent of the Shek Lai Pui villagers, who were re-provisioned, upon dispossession, after adequate and ample compensation out of the public funds. Similarly, when and after suitable places are found for the Kowloon Tong squatters, should they be dealt with. I think I fairly anticipated and disarmed criticism on the score of hardship to individual interests.

Lt.-Col. Boylan Smith made the strongest point when he argued that "the convenience of squatters should not be put before the ques-

tion of public health." All impartial judgment must be entirely at one with the authoritative opinion of the Military member whose view is of the greatest weight. Yet "surprise of surprise" indeed, it was set aside in the interest of gross offenders against the public health over which, I take it, the members of the Sanitary Board owe it as a first duty to their appointors or electors to watch and protect.—Yours, etc.,

J. P. BRAGA.

Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1927.

#### SCOTSMEN AND SOCIETIES.

Sir,—It must have occurred to many of my fellow countrymen that the great quantity of patriotic fervour, and enthusiasm, existing in the numerous Scottish societies overseas, might find a broader and more useful outlet than is provided by the annual celebration of Saint Andrew's day and the disbursement of help to cases of distress arising among local Scotsmen.

To those who are of that opinion it will be of great interest to know that a move has now been made, in connection with their affiliation scheme, by the Council of the Saint Andrew Society in Edinburgh, which gives promise of a great achievement provided it receives the support of the Scottish societies abroad.

The following, taken from the Annual Report of the Council for 1926, indicates the present position as regards this scheme:—

"The Council have to report that they have had under consideration the scheme for establishing a Club for the use of the members of the Society, and of Edinburgh.

"The Society has taken rooms at 27 Rutland Street, and is now arranging to equip them so as to form a Club on a small scale, as a commencement."

"It is hoped that, as the scheme becomes better known, and as more funds become available, it will be possible to enlarge the scheme."

A later sentence in the report has these words:—"The Council feel that they cannot go far without the support of the Overseas Societies, for whose members especially the Club is intended."

It is for that reason that I have written this letter, and I appeal to all office bearers and members of Saint Andrew Societies in these parts to give this scheme their support at once, by seeking affiliation with the Central Society in Edinburgh, and arranging for the payment of a definite proportion of the annual local subscription of each member towards this project. Our Society here in Perak, has been rated now for some time, and from our annual subscription a sum of half a crown per member is remitted to the Home Society for the furtherance of this scheme. If this scheme had the support of all the Scottish societies scattered over the world, it needs little imagination to realise the strength and capacity for beneficent work which the Home Society would possess.

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Surely the promise of this great development is worth the small cost per member involved. The Joint Hon. Secretaries of the Saint Andrew Society in Edinburgh are:—Donald S. Macdonald, 1, Hill Street, and David W. Ross, 6, East Fettes Avenue, Edinburgh.

They will give any information desired about the scheme as it now is.

G. WAUGH SCOT,

Deputy Chieftain,

Perak Saint Andrew Society,

Federated Malay States.

Perak, F. M. S., January 25th.

### LOCAL RADIO.

#### NAVAL NIGHT TO-MORROW.

The Hongkong Radio Society is resuming its broadcasting to-morrow evening, when there will be a special naval programme. By kind permission of Capt. B. H. Ramsay, M.V.O., R.N., the orchestra and male voice quartette of H. M. S. Danae will provide the selections, and it is believed that the event will be a big success. The Danae orchestra was the first to broadcast in Australia, whilst the male voice quartette made quite a name for itself in Malta. The full programme is as follows:

6.00 p.m. Lonesome and Sorry (foxtrot)  
Coming Through the Cornfield (foxtrot)  
6.13 p.m. Druid's Prayer (Waltz)  
I Love the Moon (vocal solo by Mr. Pocock)  
6.26 p.m. Good Night Beloved (The Male Voice Quartette)  
Absence  
6.39 p.m. The Static Strut (Charleston)  
Could I? I Certainly Could (foxtrot)  
6.52 p.m. Hard to Get (vocal solo by Mr. Hadley)  
Take Your Pick (Banjo solo by Mr. Walker)  
7.05 p.m. I'm Lonely Without You (foxtrot)  
Lovesick (foxtrot)  
7.18 p.m. Someone is Loin' Susan (foxtrot)  
Goodnight (foxtrot)

To conform to Government regulations regarding closing down every ten minutes, provision has been made for this in the above programme. The intervals will be of three minutes each.

The Society will use a wavelength of 355 metres for this transmission and before the transmission proper at 6 p.m. a preliminary item will be sent out to facilitate tuning. All listeners are requested to refrain from oscillation during the transmission and to send in reports to the Secretary on results obtained.

#### NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

##### TO CHINA STATION.

January 19.—Lieut. (E.) R. Cobb to Victory, for course (Jan. 27), to Tamar, addl. (Feb. 24), and addl. for Hongkong Dockyard, as assistant to Chief Eng'r, and for torpedo depot (on joining).

The War Office announces that a regimental quick march for the Royal Army Ordnance Corps has received the approval of the Duke of York, Colonel-in-Chief of the Corps, and copies can be obtained from the publishers, Messrs. Boosey and Co., Limited, 4, Regent-street, W.

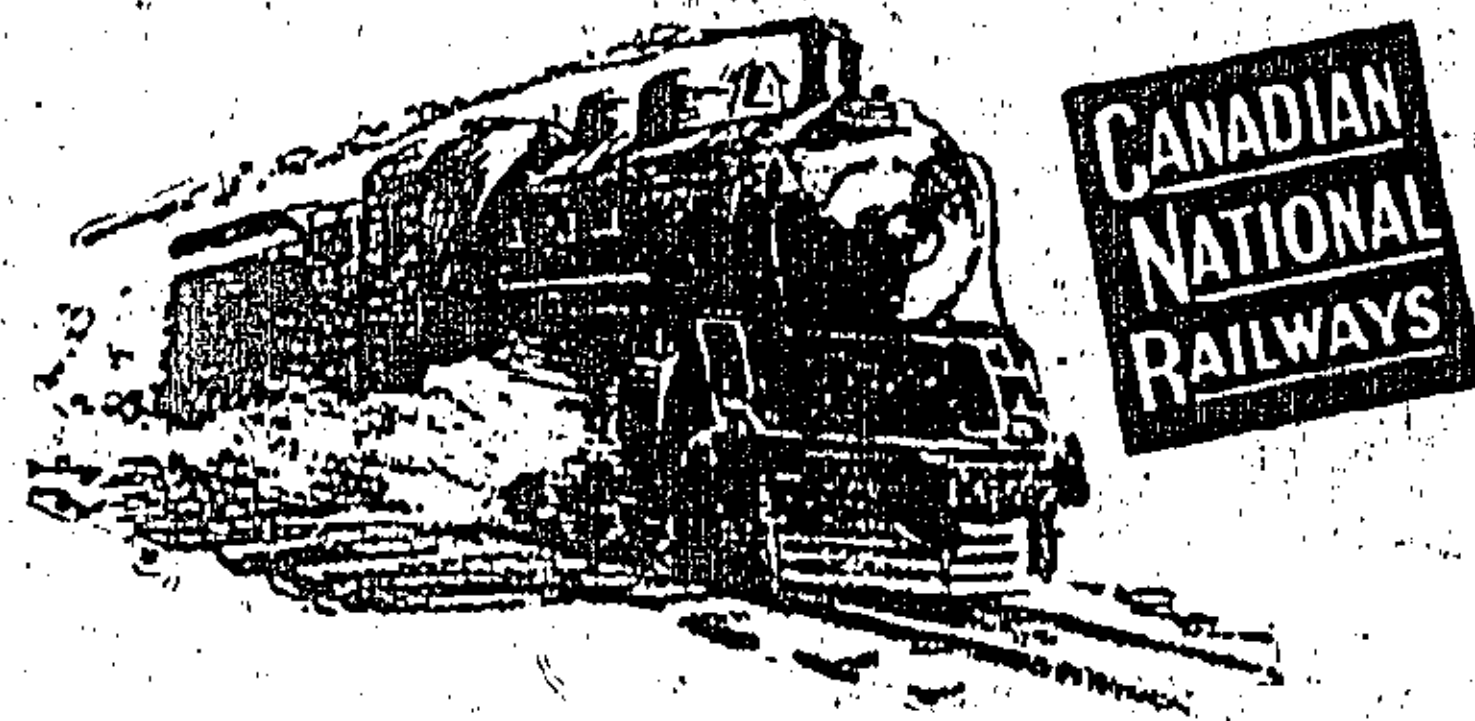
Jan. 19.—Commander N. E. N. S. J. Herbert to H. M. S. Ambrose, additional, (Feb. 7), and to Ambrose, and for duty, with Submarines on joining; Commander B. J. Little, D.S.C., to H. M. S. Tamar, additional, (Feb. 1), and to Tamar, additional, for charge of stores; and for Fleet duties at Hongkong on joining; Engineer Commander A. E. Francis to H. M. S. Carlisle, on relief.

Queznel, B. C.—Fencing of 7,000 acres of swamp land at Swan Lake, 40 miles northwest of here, into the largest muskrat farm in the world has been completed, according to J. E. McFarland, representative of a fur company in Vancouver. Output from the muskrat ranch will eventually total 50,000 pelts, it is estimated. The farm consists of low-lying meadows and streams already heavily populated with muskrat and beaver. Weekly disbursements to neighbouring trappers for restocking amount to \$1,000.

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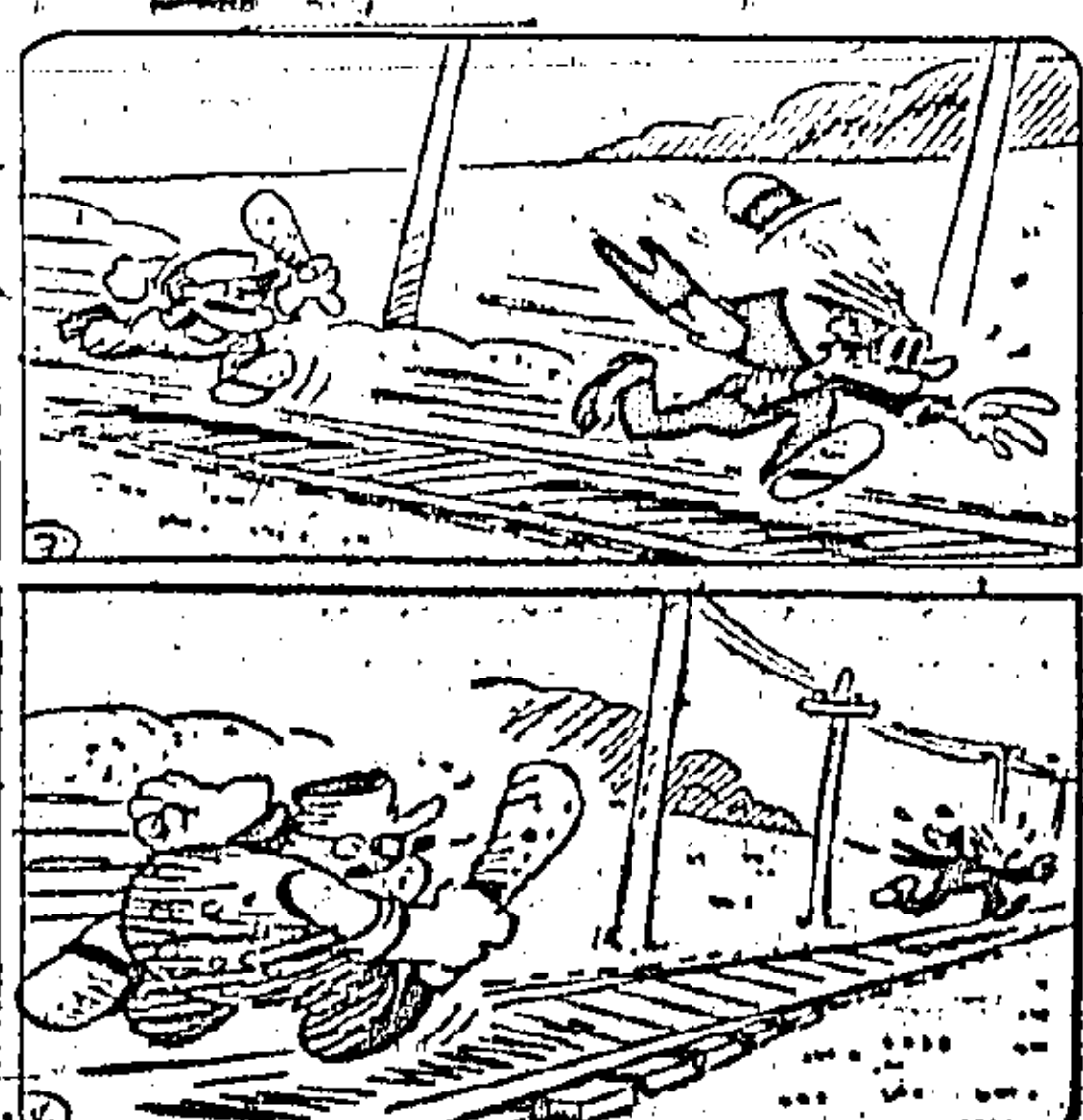
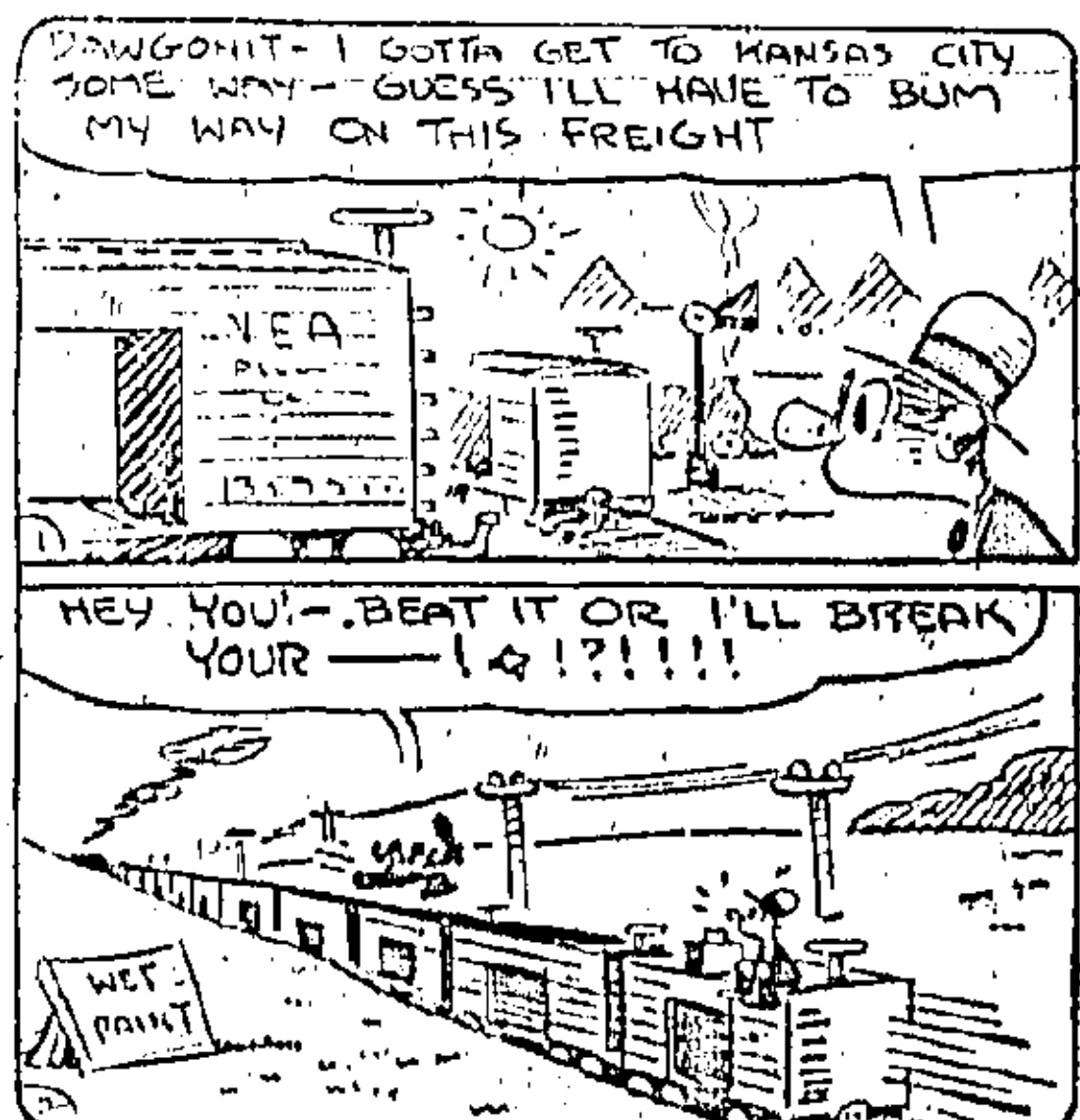
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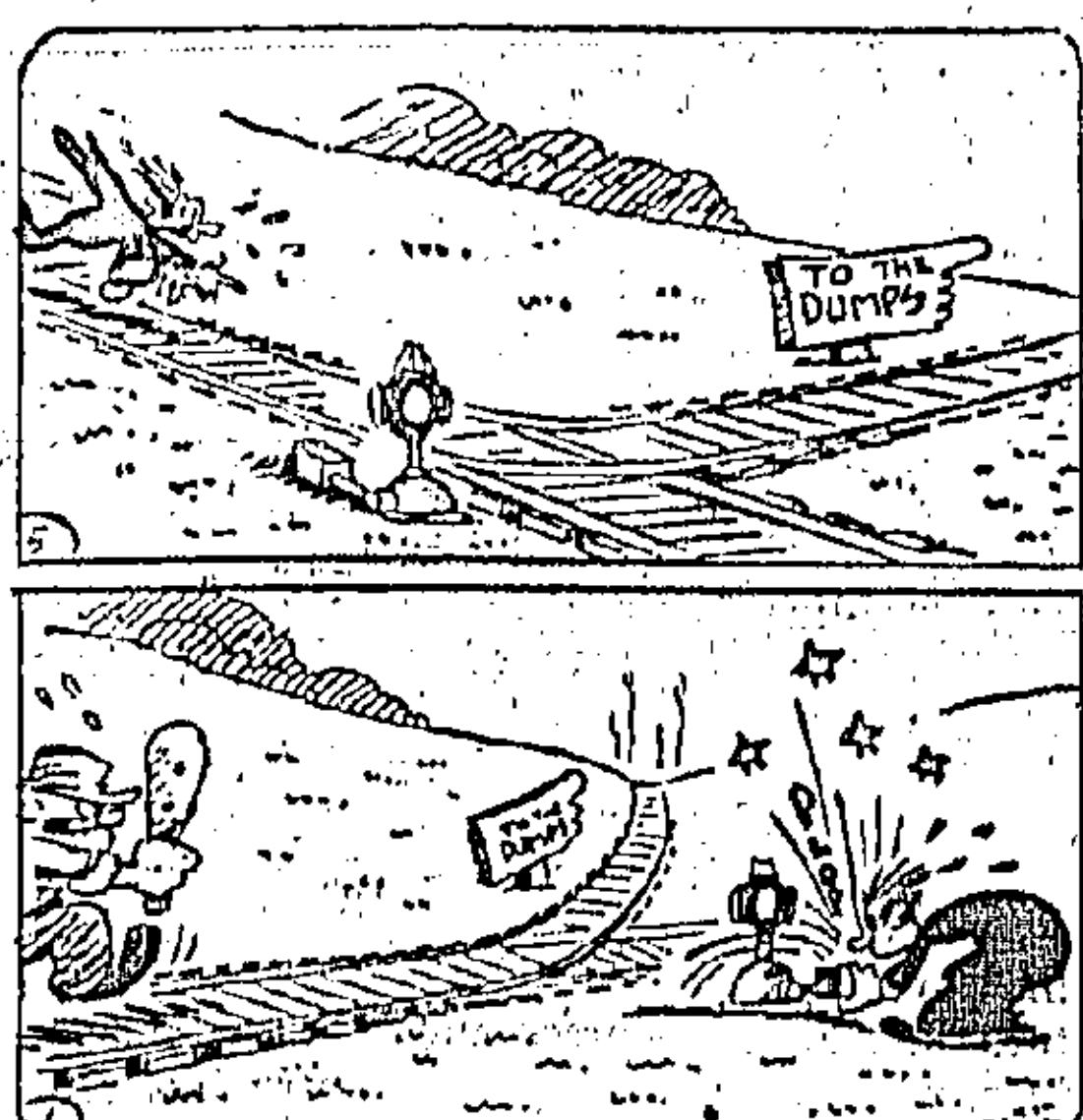


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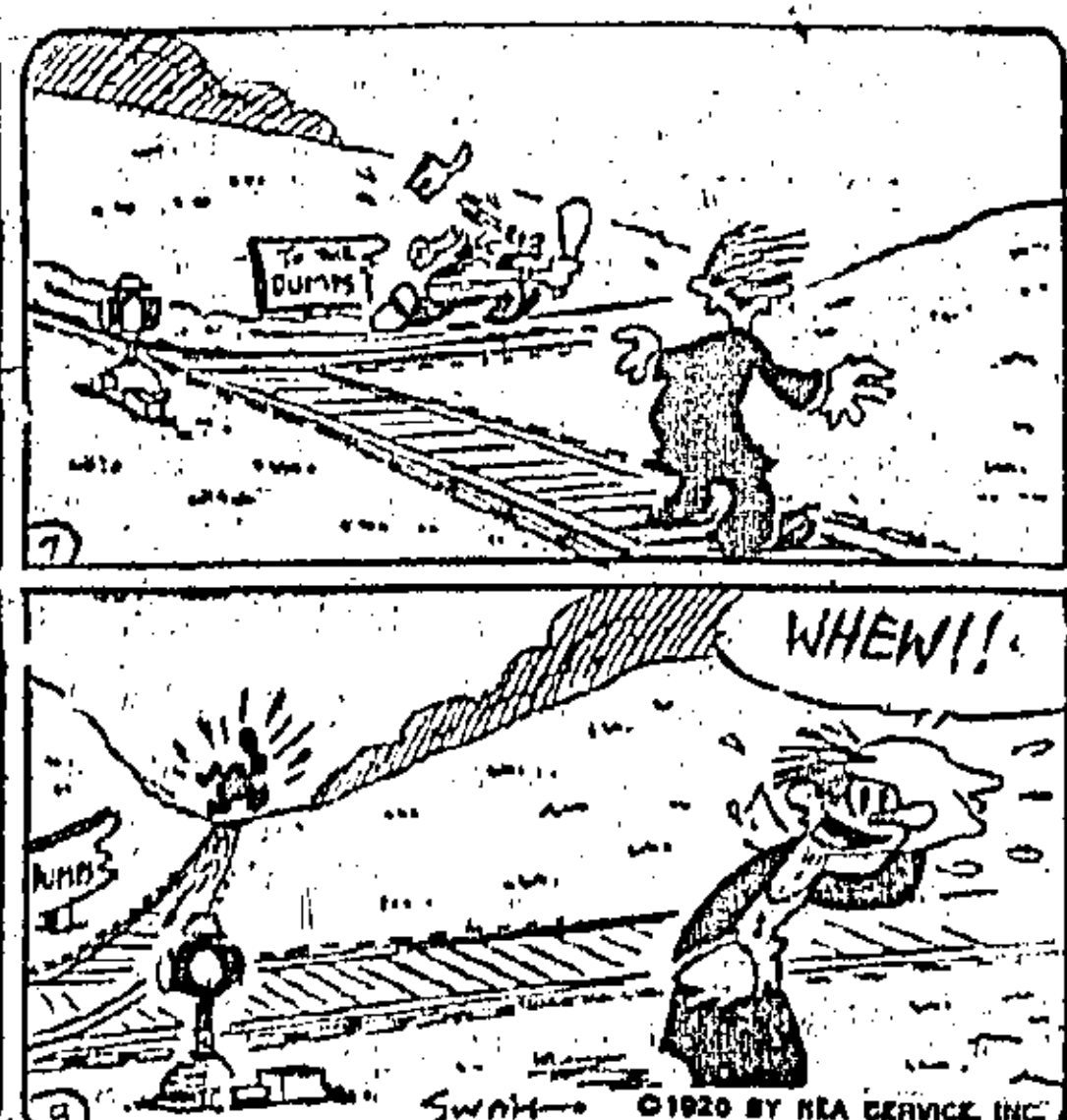
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IMPROVED DRAINING DEMONSTRATION.—One of the mole drain ploughs at work at the demonstration held at Spittleborough Farm, Wootton Bassett, under the auspices of the Agricultural Education Sub-Committee of the Wiltshire County Council Agricultural Committee. (Times copyright).



WEDDING BELLS AT SHANGHAI.—Group taken after the wedding, on January 22, at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, of Mr. Charles Thomas Hall and Miss Kathleen Bridget Lynch. The bridesmaid was Miss Elsie Danson, and the best man Mr. J. C. Porritt. Little Misses Beryl Fisher and Margaret Colter also attended the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Hall left on the President Jackson for their wedding trip to Australia.

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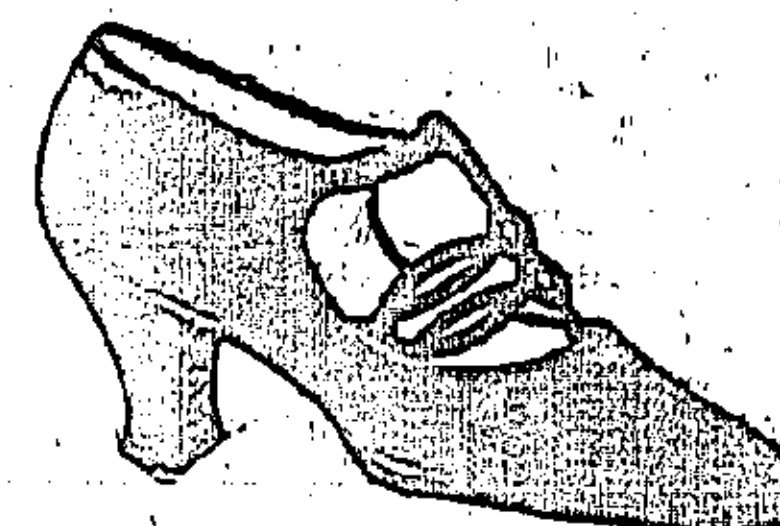
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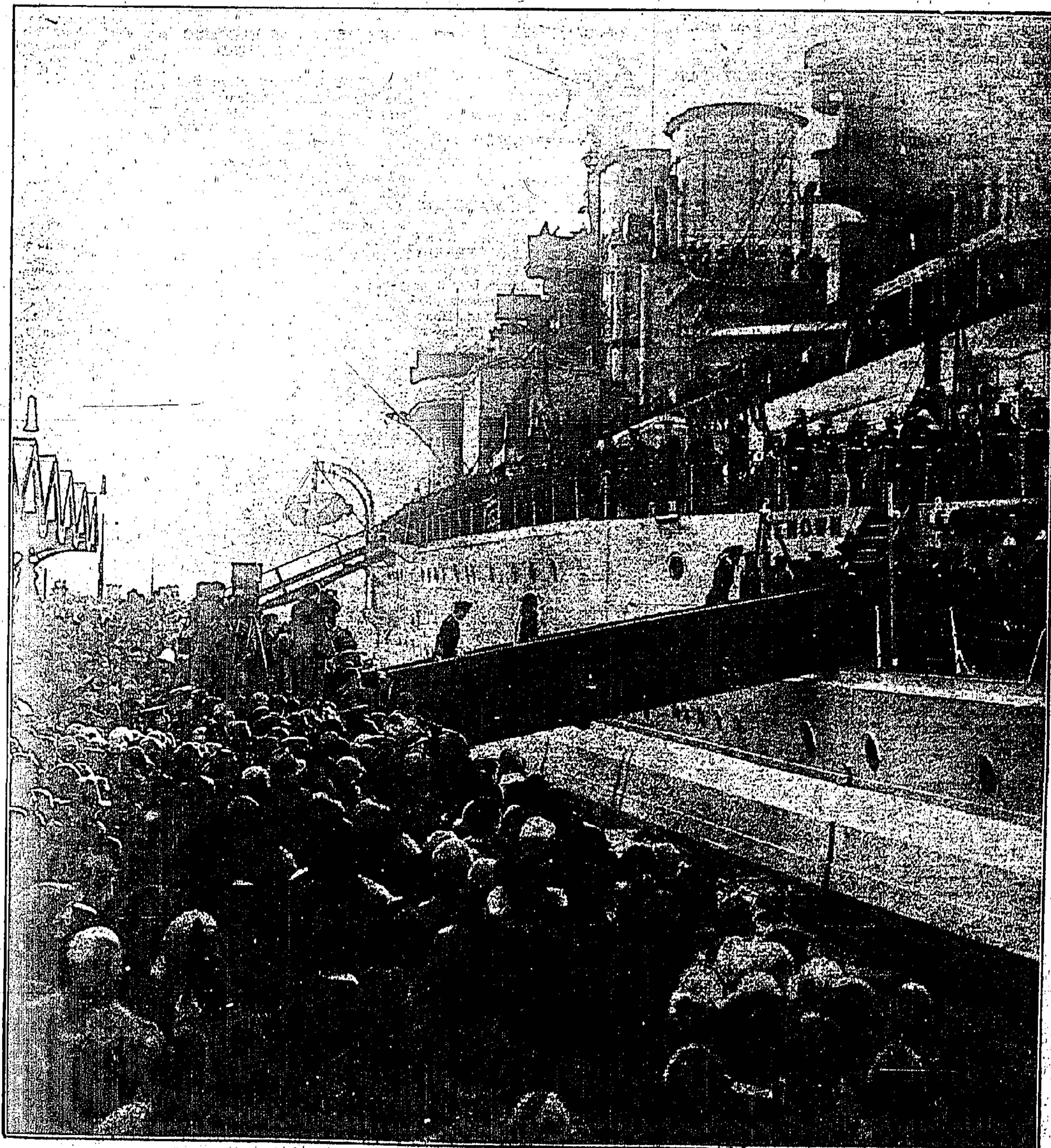
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The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect, and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

Certificate No. 1639—100 Shares Nos. 58710/58809.

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All in the name of Mrs. Young Kwai Shim.

FOR THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1927.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## U. S. R. C.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

All rounds up to and including the Semifinals are to be completed on or before Sunday, Feb. 27th. The Finals will be played on Thursday, March 3rd, when the annual "At Home" will be held.

## HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Competitors in the OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES & DOUBLES are requested to make a note of the date fixed for each match.

A list of dates and matches is posted in the Pavilion. The dates fixed will be strictly adhered to, subject only to weather conditions.

## WAR DEPARTMENT

## CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters Offices, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 o'clock noon on the date stated for the undermentioned service for a period of six months commencing 25th Feb., 1927.

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24th February, 1927.

Tender Forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

## THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO LTD.

The Inaugural Race Meeting under the auspices of the above Club, will be held at Avon Treta, on Saturday and Sunday, 19th and 20th February, 1927.

First Sadding Bell (First Day) at 1.30 p.m.

First Sadding Bell (Second Day) at 12.00 Noon.

Madame de Sousa Barbosa has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony, at 12.00 Noon.

Refreshment and Tea obtainable at the Course. Special Bus Services between Wharf and the Race Course.

By Order,

GEO. CHENG,

Clerk of the Course.

Macao, 16th Feb., 1927.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 26th February, 1927, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Monday, the 14th February to Saturday, the 26th February, 1927, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of share can be registered.

By Order,

of the Court of Directors.

A. H. BARLOW,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1927.

## THE HONGKONG CANTON &amp; MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4A, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order,

of the Board of Directors,

JOHN ARNOLD,

Secretary.

## NOTICE.

## KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

## DANCE.

at Savoy Hotel, on Friday, 18th February, 1927, at 9 p.m.

## INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO LIMITED.

Entry forms can be had from Messrs. Linstead & Davies. By kind permission of the Stewards of Hongkong Jockey Club, Members of that Club are cordially invited to take part in our Inaugural race Meeting which is to be held on 19th & 20th February. Transportation and accommodation of ponies can be arranged with the Secretary of this Club.

Macao, 7th February, 1927.

## THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

(Incorporated in Hongkong.)

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong), on FRIDAY, the 4th day of March 1927, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December 1926, confirming the appointment of Directors and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

By Order of the Board,

C. G. COLEY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1927.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## RACE MEETING 1927.

28th February, 1st, 2nd, and 5th March.

## MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday, February 26th, 1927, at a cost of \$10. each per day or \$30. for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4. per day—Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$3. per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1. per day.

## SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stables.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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At No. 88, Nathan Road (Ground floor), Kowloon.

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## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Hongkong Tramways Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on Monday, the 7th day of March, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company, will be closed from TUESDAY, February 22nd to MONDAY, 7th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1927.

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Parcels will be received at this office until 5 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages must be declared.

For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, 14th Feb., 1927.

## CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGES.

MR. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA

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The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, Jan. 22, 1927.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE is hereby given that

the Thirty-Eighth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 21st February to 5th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order

of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO., LTD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1927.

## HOUSEMAID MARRIES MILLIONAIRE.

## AGED MAN RINGS AND PROPOSES.

New York.—A comely house-

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dusting the furniture for 14 years

in the palatial country home of

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and was married to her master.

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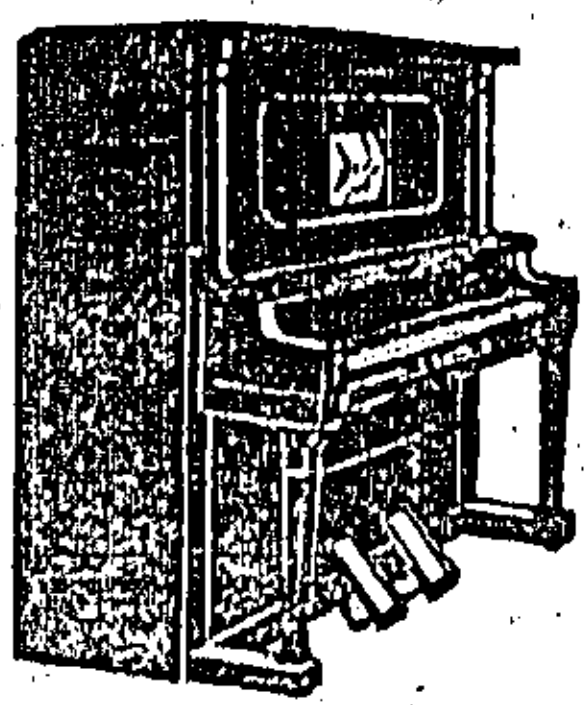
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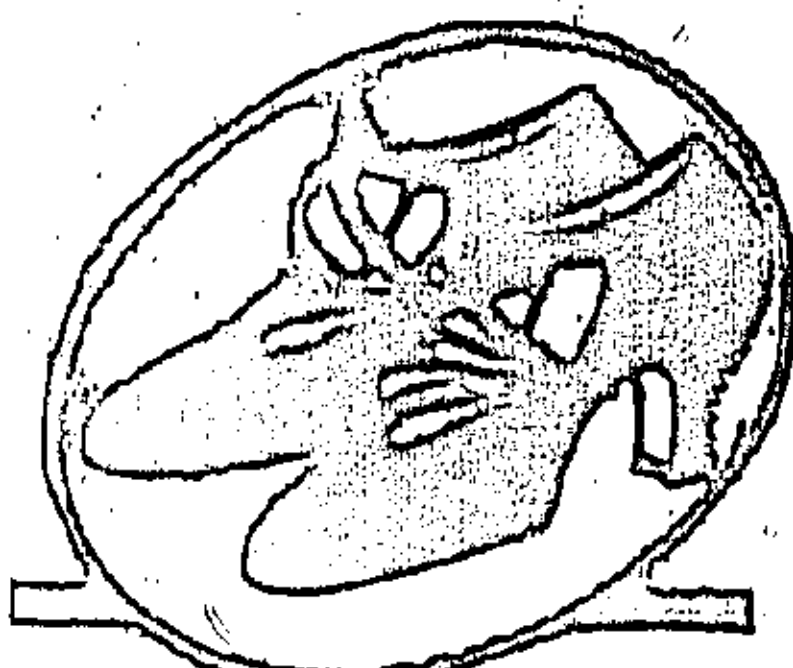


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## LOCAL WILL.

## LATE LADY MODY'S HONGKONG PROPERTY.

Letters of administration, with the will annexed, have been granted to Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, solicitor, of Messrs. Deacons, the attorney of Bai Serenobai Nusservanji Jamsetji Dady, one of the executrices of the will of Lady Maneckbai Hormusji Mody, widow of the late Sir Hormusji Nowroji Mody, formerly of Hongkong and Bombay, who died at Bombay on July 3rd, 1926. The late Lady Mody left property in Hongkong to the value of \$578,000, and in Bombay to the value of Rupees 184,440.

Lady Mody made a number of bequests to her daughter Srinibai, the wife of Nusservanji Jamsetji Dady, including land and houses at Bombay and shares and securities deposited with the Hongkong Branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong Land Reclamation Company, Star Ferry Company, Union Insurance Society of Canton, Hongkong Tramway Company, Steam Laundry Company, Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, China Light and Power Company, Shell Transport and Trading Company, Hongkong Iron Mining Company etc.

Legacies are given to a number of relatives, and the trustees are directed to expend and apply the sum of Rupees 10,000 for such religious and charitable objects for the benefit of the Parsi community of Hongkong, including the Baj Rojgar and Ghember Fund, as they shall in their discretion think proper.

## SALE OF WORK.

## AT HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

An extremely successful sale of work was held at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon, by the Victoria Branch of the Mothers' Union, there being a varied assortment of articles on sale, for which there was a brisk demand, with very commendable results, which are to be paid over to local and London charities.

There were a number of stalls devoted variously to the sale of vegetables, fruit and flowers, fancy work, children's wear, tobacco and cigarettes, and cakes and sweets. Tea was served at small tables, and a number of those attending took advantage of the facilities offered.

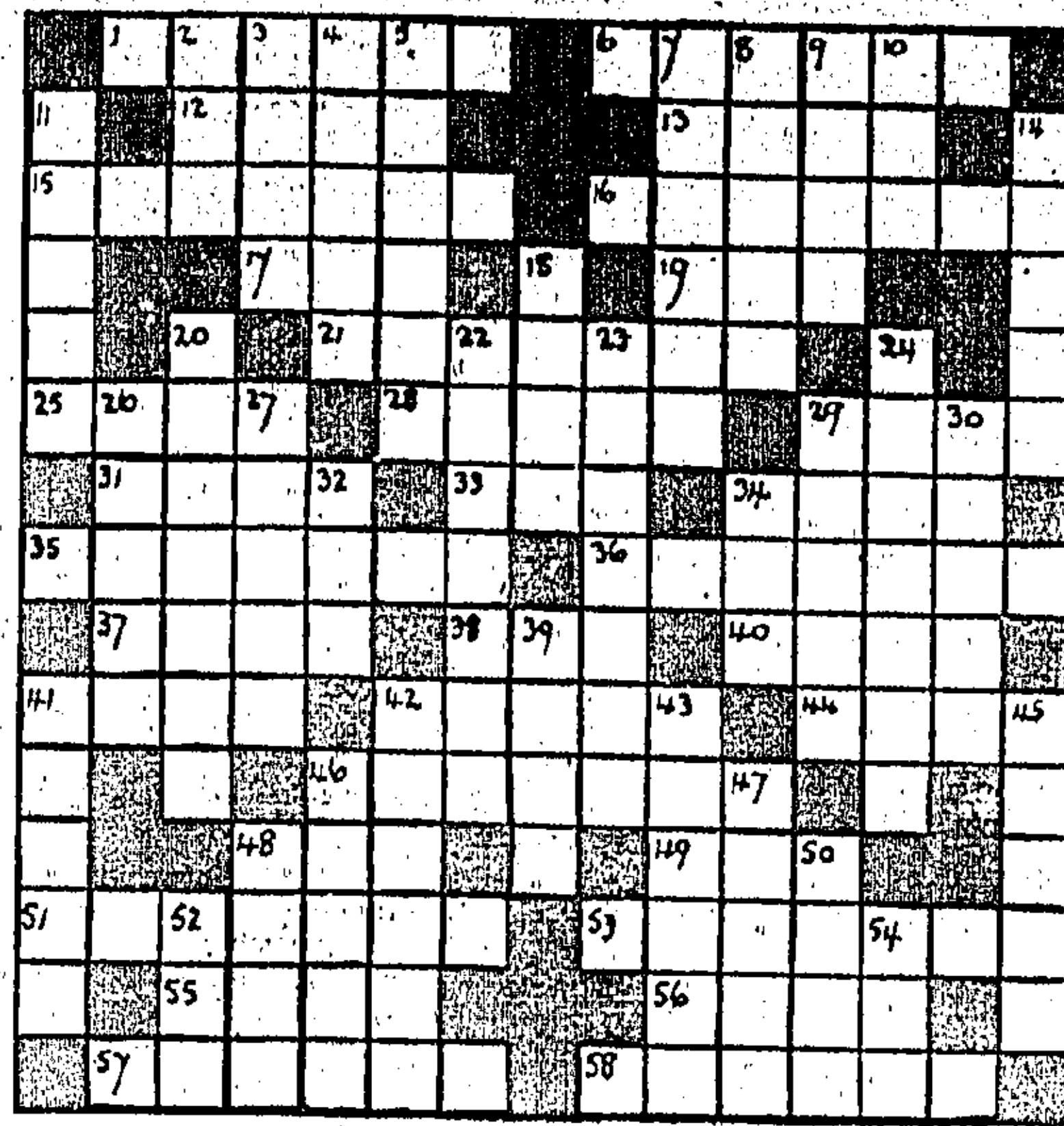
Among those present were Lady Clementi as patroness, and Mrs. Duppy, the president of the Mothers' Union, together with Mrs. Hunt and other officials of the organization.

Thanks are due for gifts from the British American Tobacco Company, Messrs. Caldbeck McGregor, Kayamally, Wing On, and a number of members of the Mothers' Union and sympathisers, for fruits, flowers, sweets and sundries.

The secretary, Mrs. Noll and the Treasurer, Mrs. Olson, who were responsible for the organisation and commendable display, are to be congratulated on the success of the sale, which means so much to the very deserving charities to which the Union makes a yearly contribution.

Moscow.—Crossing Russia in a boat has just been the unusual adventure of two young Dutch boys, one of them the son of a former Cabinet Minister of Holland. Leaving Copenhagen in a small flat-bottomed Dutch boat, the two youths sailed across the Baltic into the Gulf of Finland and reached Leningrad. There they entered Russia's intricate system of inland waterways, and by river and canal traversed the heart of Russia. They have just emerged at Kiev, in the extreme southern part of Russia. The boys lived in their small boat throughout the journey.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



## Across.

- 1 Joyous.
- 6 Bent with violence.
- 12 Parts of head.
- 13 Sullen.
- 15 Belonging to the air.
- 16 Sacred melody.
- 17 Prevaricate.
- 18 Species of deer.
- 21 Epistles.
- 25 Beverages.
- 28 Lying flat.
- 29 Catch of gun-lock.
- 31 Open surface.
- 33 Suitable.
- 34 Speed.
- 35 Stiff.
- 36 Make real.
- 37 Lazy.
- 38 Employ.
- 40 Transported.
- 41 Numbers.
- 42 Inhabitant of central Europe.
- 44 Table.
- 46 Deceived.
- 48 Irish Republican Army.
- 49 Mesh.
- 51 Listeners.
- 53 Citric acid.
- 56 Sledge.
- 58 Guard.
- 59 Named.

## Down.

- 2 Ever.
- 3 Excursion upon water.
- 4 Drag.
- 5 At rest.
- 7 Sick.
- 9 Implements.
- 10 Habitant of Eastern Europe.
- 11 Period.
- 12 East India Officer's allowance.

## A KING'S BURGLAR.

TAKEN FROM PRISON TO  
OPEN SAFE.

King Victor is a very enthusiastic numismatist, his collection of coins being one of the finest in the world. In the Royal Palace at Rome this collection is kept in a specially-constructed safe, the key of which unfortunately went astray recently.

Various experts failed to open the safe, and finally one of the court officials rang up the Prime Minister (Signor Mussolini) and asked him if he would be good enough to request the Minister of the Interior (Signor Mussolini) to instruct the chief of the Black Shirt Militia (Signor Mussolini) to send some one to the main prison in Rome to select the most skillful safe breaker, and have him brought to the palace.

A particularly adroit burglar, safely handcuffed, was taken in an official motor-car to the Royal residence. There he was ushered into the Royal apartment, where the King was impatiently awaiting him.

The safebreaker's handcuffs were removed, and he was provided with a few jemies and other implements. The burglar, whose acquaintance with bank safes is "peculiar and extensive," set to work with King Victor looking on. "Oh, never mind me," said the

King, when the burglar confessed to feeling nervous. "Work slowly. I should very much like to see how you crack this crib." The burglar went on with his work till the safe stood open, to the King's great delight.

## Back to Prison.

"I think the banks ought to pension you off," said his Majesty laughing, as he shook the safe-breaker by the hand and complimented him on his skill. "In a little villa on, say, Capri, you would be—er—harmless."

"Your Majesty—" But then the prison official came on the scene with the handcuffs, and the burglar bowed himself out of the Royal presence. One of the King's motor-cars was waiting, and in it the redoubtable safe-breaker was taken back to prison. Not unnaturally he expected to hear that his sentence had been reduced, but, alas, the Minister of the Interior (Signor Mussolini) has given no sign that safebreakers, even though they crack a Royal crib, should be prematurely let loose on society.

London.—The talkers of the House of Commons have been distanced. Chancellor of the Exchequer Winston Churchill is the man. According to the Parliamentary Gazette, he spoke 362 columns (about 160,000 words) of the Official Report from the beginning of the session in February to adjournment in August.



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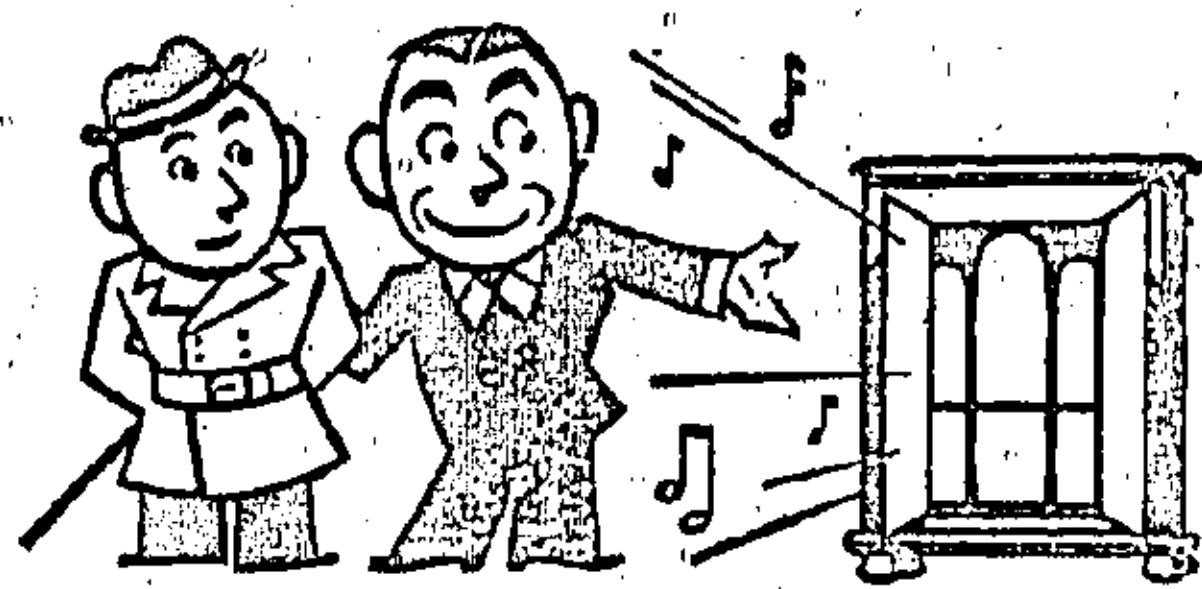
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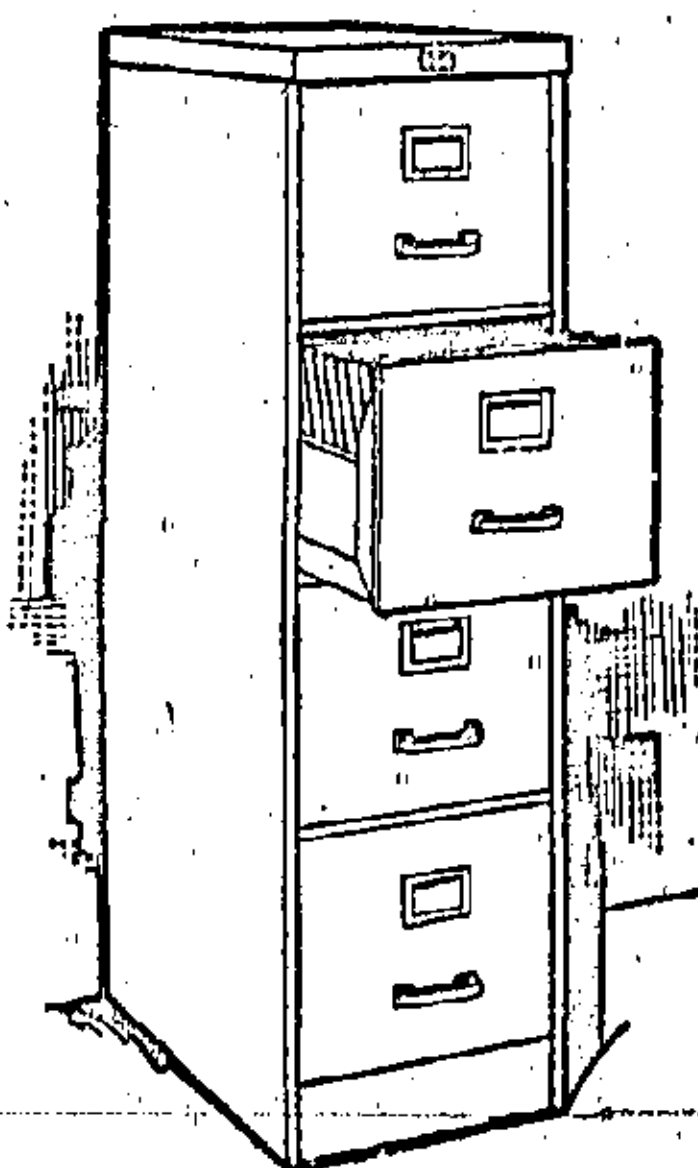
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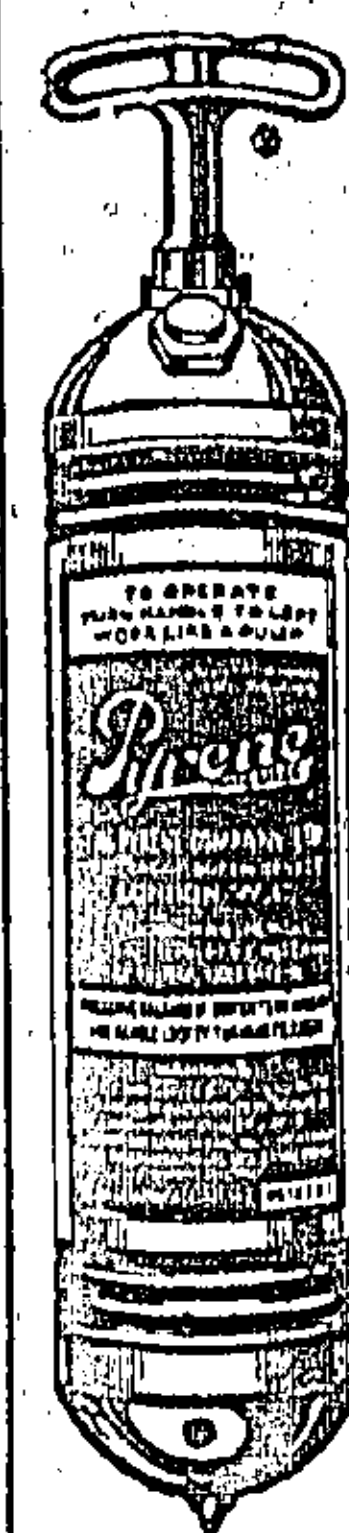
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### MARRIAGE.

The wedding of Mr. Albert Edward Guest and Miss Edith May Fincher will take place at St. Peter's Church, on 1st March, at 2.30 p.m. No invitations are being issued, but all friends will be welcome at the Church and also at the reception to be held at No. 2, Leys Buildings, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

### The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1927.

### "RED" TYRANNY.

The popular conception in Britain and the United States, and in many other parts of the world as well, is that the so-called Chinese Nationalism is a great, liberating, democratic movement which is gradually but surely sweeping the country and bringing freedom and prosperity to the people. We who are nearer the centre of things know how utterly false and distorted that view of the situation is. Wherever the Reds have gone, they have introduced labour tyranny, made war on institutions which have been of untold benefit to the Chinese, exacted war contributions from the people, collected taxes in advance and in many instances taken away such slender rights as have been enjoyed by individuals and corporate organizations. The liberty of the subject has been flouted, arrests and punishments have been made without trial of any kind, whilst conditions in the prisons have been such that it is a wonder that the inmates have managed to retain their sanity or even their lives. We need not go further afield than Kwangtung Province, the original home of the Nationalist movement, for confirmation of these statements. And besides all this, much of the territory in the hands of the Nationalists is infested with bandits and brigands, for whose suppression no serious effort whatever is made. So much for fact and fiction.

At the moment, however, we intend dealing with only one aspect of conditions which have arisen in various parts of China since the Nationalists have come into control—namely, the labour agitations which have resulted in the closing down of so many hospitals and other institutions of a like character. Yesterday, we gave some details of how the Yale in China Hospital at Changsha has had to

shut its doors, owing to labour tyranny, and we have just been reading of another instance at Yochow, in Hunan, where similar developments have taken place. It appears that in connection with a foreign-managed hospital there, a Nurses' Training School had long been in existence, the girl students in which were perfectly satisfied until, under the urge of radical influences, they submitted an ultimatum containing over twenty absurd demands, which they said would have to be complied with in twenty-four hours. The whole scheme, it appears, was engineered by labour extremists in order to annoy the hospital authorities and make them shut down, so that the Kuomintang authorities could confiscate the place. What has happened at Yochow and at Changsha is quite in line with what has occurred in Canton during recent years. Hospitals and similar institutions which have in reality been a godsend to multitudes of Chinese have had to close their doors, wholly and solely by reason of labour tyranny. The fact that it is the Chinese people who suffer when these things happen is, seemingly, nothing to the agitators. They care for nothing so long as they can attain their own ends and indulge in their foolish and short-sighted anti-foreignism. The blame for much of this, if not all, must lie at the door of the Nationalist leaders, who have been the tutors of these labour extremists and who have encouraged them in their lawlessness. Red rule in China means tyranny, not freedom. That is a fact which even the Nationalists cannot explain away.

### Empire's Raw Materials.

We notice that at a recent meeting at Home of the Royal Society of Arts, Sir Thomas Holland gave a most interesting address on the all important subject of the international interests in the production of raw materials, in which Great Britain's opportunities for reaping the advantages of scientific research in regard to raw materials for industry were made the subject of most interesting comment. Sir Thomas pointed out that for raw materials dependent on the cultivation of animals and plants the British Empire was virtually self-contained, and that no other nation has such good opportunities for securing the advantages of research. Perhaps the most striking feature of the address was the statement that the total output of the biological group of raw materials in the Empire is far beyond the digestive capacity of British manufacturers, and that it was obviously time to secure the removal of those trade barriers which impede international intercourse, so as to find a field for the sale of the substantial balance of these British resources of raw materials. The position as regards the supply of mineral products is not quite so good, though Sir Thomas thought that the British Empire was more nearly self-contained than any other nation, ranking above the United States and also above even what Germany was before the war. In animal and vegetable products the Empire can produce more raw materials than it can consume, and in mineral products it is in a better position for raw materials than anywhere else. That is an extremely gratifying position and one of which we should take the fullest possible advantage. To find a field for the sale of our surplus raw materials must obviously be our aim and nothing is more likely to supply that field than a general stimulus of the world's trade. The removal of tariff and other barriers becomes even more obviously desirable.

Charged with cutting bamboos from the hillside and with offering bribe to the constable when arrested, a Chinese woman at the Police Court yesterday pleaded not guilty. She said she bought the bamboos from a man named Ah Nam, who verified the woman's statement, but admitted that he had himself cut them from Deep Water Bay, because he was poor and having a bad foot, was unable to work. The woman was fined \$10 for offering the bribe.

### DAY BY DAY.

The engagement is announced of Mr. E. H. Adams, A.R.I.B.A., to Miss T. B. Humphrey, both of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Shanghai.

COMMON SENSE IS THE REEF UPON WHICH MOST IDEALS founder.—Dorothy Senior.

The P. and O. liner Kalyan, which left Shanghai yesterday at 3.30 p.m., is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Yesterday's health return shows two Chinese cases of small-pox, one British case of typhoid and one Chinese occurrence of diphtheria.

A six-year-old Chinese boy was killed through being knocked down by a tramcar at the Praya East, yesterday. The remains were taken to the Mortuary.

The recent notification regarding quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Vladivostok on account of plague should have read "on account of small-pox."

Of the eleven arrivals in harbour during the last twenty-four hours up to nine o'clock this morning, two were British. British departures numbered seven, the total being sixteen.

Madame de Sousa Barbosa, wife of H. E. the Governor of Macao, is to perform the opening ceremony of the new Macao Racecourse on Saturday next. There are to be Race Meetings on Saturday and Sunday.

A Baguio message says Major Joseph T. Reyburn, provincial commander of constabulary at Bontoc, died on the 8th inst. at Camp John Hay hospital where he had been ill of tuberculosis for several months.

Mr. Ko Leong Hoe, Managing Director of The Ho Hong Bank Ltd. Hongkong, left to-day for Shanghai by the Empress of Russia to attend the formal opening of the Bank's new branch there which has been arranged to take place on the 23rd inst.

With regard to the posting of anti-British placards at Shataukok, we learn that detachments of the King's Own Scottish Borderers have, in accordance with arrangements, been patrolling the main street of the village for the past two days, and that conditions there are at present quiet.

Cooler weather may be expected to-morrow, according to the report issued to-day by the Royal Observatory, which indicates that the monsoon will again set in. The local forecast up to noon to-morrow is—"Light north-easterly winds, freshening; overcast, some drizzle or mist; cooler."

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Portnos, Mongolia, Hosang, Tango Maru, Taikwa Maru, Amagisan Maru, Bandcong Maru, Osaka Maru, Sphinx, Empress of Russia, Tjibesar, Tjimanek, Pelcus, President Monroe, President McKinley, Suisang and Meriones.

The master of a fishing boat was summoned before Lieut. Commr. G. F. Ho, at the Marine Court this morning, for using grapples or other means for lifting articles from the bed of the harbour at the Naval Anchorage without permission. A large coil of lead wire, which the defendant brought to the surface, was produced. Defendant was fined \$10, or ten days.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 15.
Paris	123.65
Brussels	34.88
Amsterdam	12.12 1/2
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	34.42 1/2
Helsingfors	19.22
Lisbon	2.17 1/2
Rio	5.75
Bombay	1/6.3/64
Hongkong	2/0
New York	4.85 1/16
Geneva	25.22
Milan	11.25
Stockholm	18.18
Oslo	18.90 1/2
Prague	16.42
Madrid	28.84 1/2
Athens	37.44
Buenos Aires	47.1/16
Shanghai	2/0.3/16
Yokohama	2/0.3/16
Silver (spot)	20.7/16
Silver (forward)	20.7/16

—British Wireless.

### CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

(By our Special Observer.)

Much activity is noticed at Cheung Chau these days, mainly owing to the invasion of week-end visitors, birds and caterpillars, all of which play havoc with local residents' vegetable gardens. Although outward appearances are deceptive, many of the houses are occupied, the inmates being of an early-retiring disposition. Some of the more worldly show lights, however, and the night air is rent with the music of gramophones, the demented parrot, homeless dogs and the newly-arrived residents' milk goat. There are other signs of progress, including short dresses, prams, and an occasional empty gin bottle.

So far, the special constabulary have not been mustered for practice, although one must admit that they might be mustered with excellent effect. Nobody has got the wind up, although one inhabitant was heard doing his best with a cornet. The social season is not yet in full swing, but it is comforting to know that the lost weighing machine has been found, and that this year's swimming costumes are already being made by some of the ladies from the interior. Much thought, labour and material is devoted to this work.

Cheung Chau is keeping up with the times, and wireless masts are springing up like mushrooms all over the place—of one recently returned resident.

Several people have taken several houses, and at least one house has been equipped with a new stove. Another has had the verandah swept and the fish supply has again become normal.

Sunday meetings are held in different homes, the inhabitants dividing themselves according to their various persuasions. Generally speaking, some do not require much persuading. The ferry service has not been improved, although one travels with greater assurance now that the two—worst months of the year have passed.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH v. CESSPOOLS.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Your correspondent "Salus Populi Suprema Lex" in his article is very illuminating, but I am at a loss to understand how the cesspools removed 200 yards, as advocated by the M.O.H. from the residential district, would cease to be noisome, since the penetrating smells and sickening odours occur at the moment of the distribution of objectionable matter over the vegetable gardens, which now extend almost to the doorsteps of the Kowloon Tong residents. So I consulted a friend of mine. This is the medico's explanation, which I venture to make public with the hope of allaying the fears of the residents of the Garden City of Kowloon Tong:—"The germs of typhoid and dysentery having to travel 200 yards from their headquarters (the cesspools) before they are spread over the vegetables, get exhausted and lose their virulence. The housefly transfers these attenuated germs to the food and drink which, ingested by the residents, act as vaccines and thus prevent the outbreaks of those dread diseases. But, if inadvertently, the domestic fly, now transformed from the worst enemy to a good Samaritan, instead of these prophylactic doses, administers a lethal (toxic) dose—one has always the milk or water supplies to blame!—Yours, etc.,

Pro-HYGIENE.

Hongkong, Feb. 16th, 1927.

Their Lordships the Chinese Bishops who were called by His Holiness the Pope for consecration at Rome, are now on their return to China by the M. M. Porthos.

More than eight centuries old, a circular relief in the rare green porphyry quarried in Sparta has just been acquired by the Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington. Representing the Virgin in prayer, it is almost the only Byzantine carving in any material that can be dated with certainty. Round the edge is an inscription in Greek invoking the help of the Mother of God for Nicophorus Botaniates, Emperor of Constantinople A.D. 1078-1081.

## The Very Idea!

The burial service at the funeral of a well-known member of the congregation was taken by the young assistant minister; the parson of the church being laid aside by illness.

As is usual, the congregation were asked to pass up and view the remains of the deceased, if they desired, but the young minister altered the mode of invitation by saying—"The congregation will now please pass round the bier."

And on the faces of many of the men folks chaotic resignation gave place to mild expectation.

"If you'll lie down with baby," Mother said, "It will not peep."

So father did, and baby simply cried its dad to sleep.

How the Great Seal of England, the supreme symbol of Governmental authority, was once buried in a flower bed by a Lord Chancellor, who afterwards forgot where he had put it, is related in "Historical Notes on the Use of the Great Seal of England," by Sir H. C. Maxwell-Lyte, which has just been published by the Stationery Office.

The incident occurred in 1812, when a fire broke out at the country seat of Lord Eldon, then Lord Chancellor. "His first anxiety was for the Great Seal, and he hurriedly buried it in one of the flower-beds in the garden. In his confusion, however, he took no note of the spot, and the whole household had to go 'probing and digging' until the Seal was found."

Lord Eldon's anxiety was justified. The Great Seal was once styled "the key of the realm," and little of importance could formerly be done without it.

Some of the documents quoted tell, without meaning to, a whole story in a few lines. One of them, of date 1553, is signed, "Jane, the Queen."

We do not remember a Queen Jane now, but there was one in 1553—for ten days. She was the ill-fated Lady Jane Grey.

A mother complained at Action of the conduct of her boy. The clerk: How old is he? Mother: Thirty-one.

A solicitor at Willesden explained elaborately the situation of certain streets. Alderman Pinkham (the magistrate), quietly: Yes, I understand. I built them all.

She was one of those fussy, fidgety people who are never satisfied. "I don't like the way you have been cutting my steaks," she snapped, as she ran her gloved finger over the round of beef. "You should cut them as I direct."

"What kind of a cut do you wish, madam?" asked the butcher, as he sharpened his knife.

"Why, you have been giving me high cuts, and there is too much fat at the top. I want a low cut." The butcher could stand it no longer.

"Low cut!" he protested. "Madam, you are not buying a ball gown. This is beefsteak."

Georges Carpentier is about to make his first appearance as a professional actor. He has been chosen to play the leading part in a new play, entitled "Knock-Out," to be produced at the Theatre Edouard VII. in Paris.

The ex-Shah of Persia, is considering the suggestion recently made to him that he should go into business in Paris.

Since he was dethroned and replaced by Riza Khan last year the ex-shah has been living here quietly, and has been unable to frequent the dancing establishments and expensive restaurants where he was once a known and honoured patron.

Indeed, the finances of the ex-shah were in such a low state that he had to part with many of his jewels. Therefore the suggestion that he should become a Parisian perfumer was considered carefully in all its aspects.

If the scheme materialises the ex-shah will be found in a wonderfully fitted shop in Paris, which will specialise in the sale of Oriental perfumes.

Fussy old gentleman—"Now, my boy, who is the responsible man in this firm? I want to see him."

Office boy—"I don't know who the responsible party is, but I am the one who always gets the blame."



## MUDFORD MEETING.

TOWN COUNCIL SITS AT  
Y.M.C.A.TO-MORROW'S INTERESTING  
DEBATE.

The first meeting, after the elections, of the Mudford Town Council is to be held to-morrow evening in the Council Chamber (the Y.M.C.A. Lounge) under the chairmanship of His Worship the Mayor (Ald. the Rev. J. Horace Johnston).

In the new Council, the Progressive Party is five strong, the Socialist Party four strong, and the Moderate Party three strong, the Moderates holding the balance.

The four issues which formed the platform for the election will be the principal business of the august assembly, and a lively debate is certain.

Interesting side-issues are likely to arise from the minutes of the previous meeting, and it is understood that the Socialist, Mr. Councilor Fred Munn, has some very pertinent (or impertinent) questions to ask the Chief Constable.

Mrs. Councilor Sapsed (Gerty the Girl with the Gump) with her latest Paris creation all complete, will be largely in evidence, and identification parades would be necessary to determine with accuracy other members of the rival political factions. The members of the other parties, however, are prone to raise objections if Mr. Munn arrives with a supply of mackerel concealed in his plus-fours.

Rats, bats in the belfry, and other animals addicted to the habit of appearing before the eyes on unexpected occasions, will receive the consideration of the Council. —From our Own Correspondent.

## FOG BOUND.

## ENGLISH CHANNEL IN GRIP.

London, Feb. 15. The fog, which has now beset the English Channel for five successive days, was so bad at noon to-day that all mail and passenger services between England and the Continent were suspended.

This is said to be the first time for 50 years that fog has obtained so complete a hold of the Channel which is enshrouded from coast to coast. Ships, not venturing to move are anchored all over the channel, and air traffic is likewise suspended.

The King and Queen of the Belgians had intended to fly from London back to Brussels to-day but they have been unable to make the journey, either by air or sea, and will remain here until to-morrow. —British Wireless.

## PLUCKY ACTION.

LADY FRUSTRATES A  
DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

In spite of being confronted with a revolver and a dagger, Mrs. Gutierrez, wife of Mr. J. B. Gutierrez, 1, Saifce Terrace, ground floor, promptly ran out of the room and gave the alarm, when four Chinese robbers visited the house yesterday morning. During her rush to give the alarm, one of the robbers struck Mrs. Gutierrez on the head with his fist, but her plucky action prevented the men from remaining in the house long enough to steal anything, and they escaped through a back door.

The men gained entrance by telling the amah, who opened the door in response to their knock, that they were to pack furniture prior to its being despatched to England.

NICARAGUA'S CIVIL  
WAR.PREPARING FOR DECISIVE  
FIGHT.

Managua, Feb. 15. The rival Liberal and Conservative forces are preparing for a decisive fight for the possession of Matagalpa, the second most important town in Nicaragua.

The American Charge d'Affaires has advised Americans there to barricade their houses and await developments. —Reuter's American Service.

## TO-DAY

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## PRINCE GIVES FAREWELL KISS.



The Prince of Wales kissing the Duchess of York farewell on the deck of H.M.S. Renown. On right is seen the Duke of York.

## NAVAL LIMITATION.

FRANCE UPHOLDS LEAGUE'S  
AUTHORITY.

Paris, Feb. 15. M. Briand's reply to President Coolidge's Disarmament Memorandum is now ready to be laid this morning before the Council of Ministers.

It suggests that the United States should refer the propositions to the League of Nations which is entitled by its Covenant to deal with disarmament. France does not consider herself as having the right to hold a separate conference and deprive the League of Nations of its rights and thus deal a death-blow to Geneva's authority, which was necessary for the maintenance of world peace. It thinks a conference of five large Powers would eliminate other naval nations also interested. Disarmament must apply simultaneously to naval, military and aerial forces and must consider the geographical situation of the interested Powers. —Havas.

## Tantamount to a Refusal.

Paris, Feb. 15. The Cabinet has approved of the draft reply to President Coolidge's disarmament proposals.

The contents are not disclosed but are understood to be tantamount to a refusal of the invitation, on the ground that the League of Nations, which has long been dealing with a comprehensive scheme for disarmament, is approaching a practical result. —Reuter.

## "Lofty Aims" Recognised.

Paris, Feb. 15. The text of the French reply to President Coolidge's disarmament proposals recognises their "lofty aim and generous idealism," but considers that they risk compromising the work already begun at Geneva, and that it is only there, under the aegis of the League, that they should be studied. It points out that the League has advanced several stages in the direction of the goal fixed by the Covenant. France, therefore, deprecates a special conference of five Powers when all the navies of the world are entitled to be associated with an agreement on the question of the limitation of light vessels. —Reuter.

## EWO DIVIDEND.

## THE YEAR'S PROFIT.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts have received a telegram from their Shanghai office advising that the Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd., has declared a dividend of Tls. 0.65. The profits for the year amounted to Tls. 1,120,000.

## WIRELESS TELEPHONY.

EXTENSION OF TRANS-  
ATLANTIC SERVICE.

London, Feb. 15. The Postmaster General states that the number of telephone calls made by the trans-Atlantic wireless service since its inauguration on January 7th is 338, of which 40 per cent. were out-going from England.

The Postmaster-General announces that to-morrow the service will become available to and from the American States of Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. These States, with others already admitted to the service, constitute a second American zone. On Thursday next, the service will be further extended to the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, which are in the third American zone. —British Wireless.

## SUMMARY COURT.

BUILDING CONTRACTORS  
SUED.

In the Summary Court this morning, before the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. J. H. B. Nibhill, the Chee Lee Company, merchants, of 140, Connaught Road West, sued the Hop Hing Cheong, building contractors, of 15 Chiu Loong Street, for \$470.95, being the amount due for goods sold and delivered. Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the plaintiffs, and the defendants were not represented.

The accountant of the plaintiff firm gave evidence to the effect that the money was owing, and said he had applied for payment, but they had kept on putting him off.

In reply to his Lordship, witness denied that his firm owed the defendants any money.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs with costs.

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## THE LATEST RETURN.

London, Feb. 15. The latest weekly return shows further decrease of 23,000 in the number of unemployed, the total being now 1,308,500. This is 138,500 more than a year ago. —British Wireless.

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From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Ichang	February 16
Shanghai	Nanning	February 16
Saigon	Porthos	February 16
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Shanghai	Mongolia	February 17
Szechuen		February 17
Straits	Hosang	February 18
Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	February 18
Shanghai	Kalyan	February 18
Straits		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Nyanza	February 19
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Jefferson	February 19
Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	February 20
Japan and Amoy	Talpa	February 20
Straits	Kamo Maru	February 21
Japan and Shanghai	Halusan Maru	February 21
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Asia	February 25
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	February 28
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Wilson	February 28

## OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (letters and post cards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Pres. McKinley	Wed., Feb. 16, Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m. (Due Victoria, B.C., 7th March.)
Formosa	Daishin Maru No. 2	Wed., Feb. 16, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Porthos	Wed., Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Lai Sang	Wed., Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Thurs., Feb. 17, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang	Thurs., Feb. 17, 10.30 a.m.
Straits		
Bangkok	Cremer	Thurs., Feb. 17, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Chinhua	Thurs., Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe		
Haiphong		
via Marseilles		
Japan		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)		
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Mar. 9	Seattle	Pres. Roosevelt	Apr. 5	P'mth-C'brg Apr. 13
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Mar. 23	Seattle	Geo. Washington	Apr. 20	P'mth-C'brg Apr. 27
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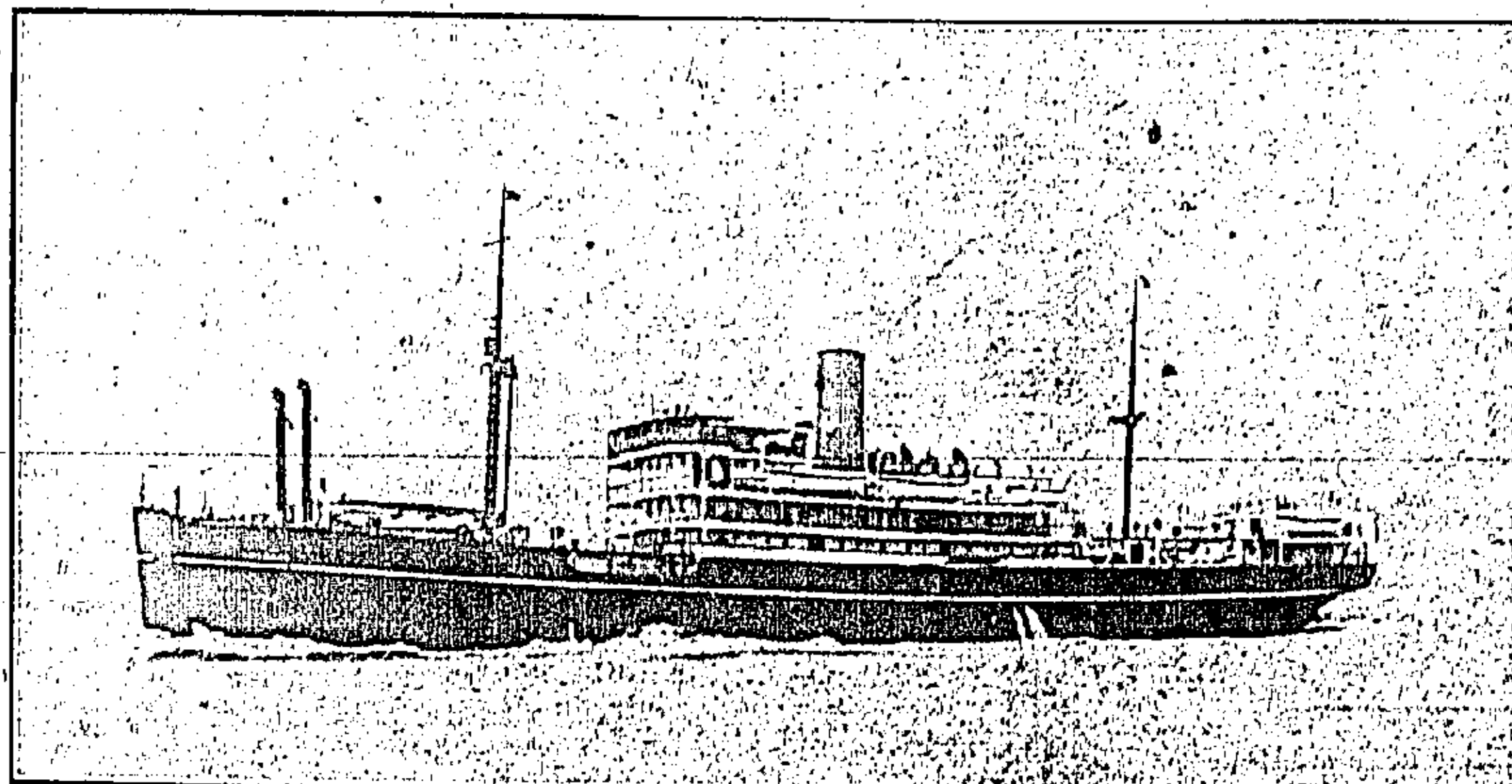
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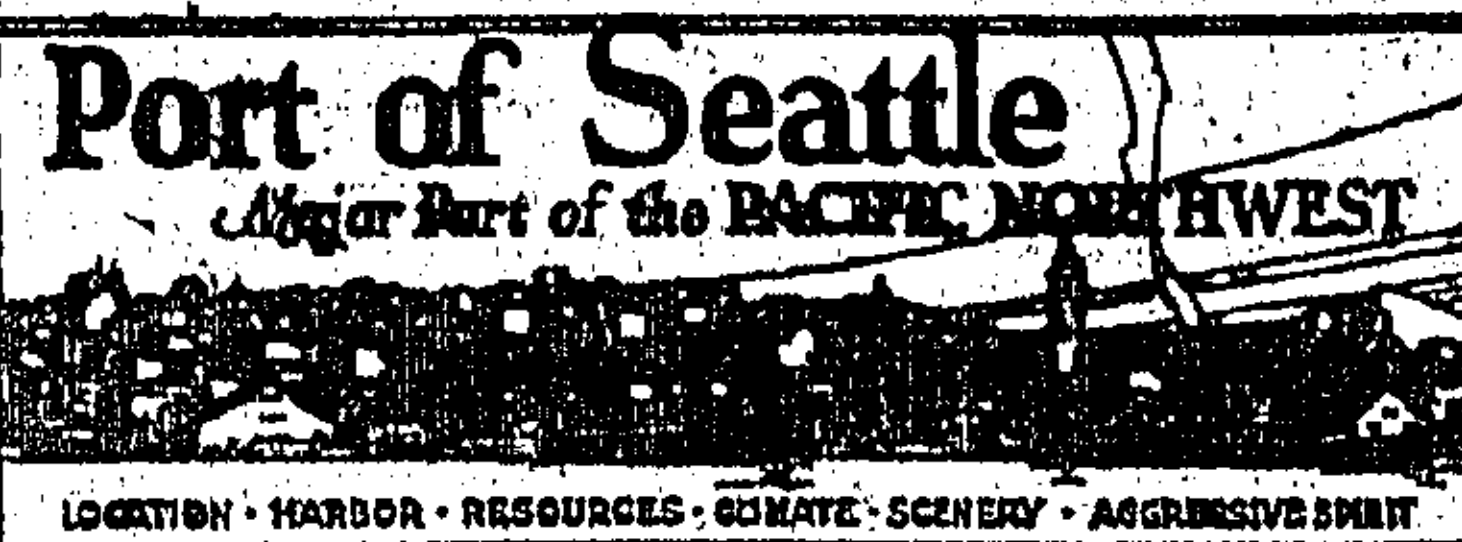
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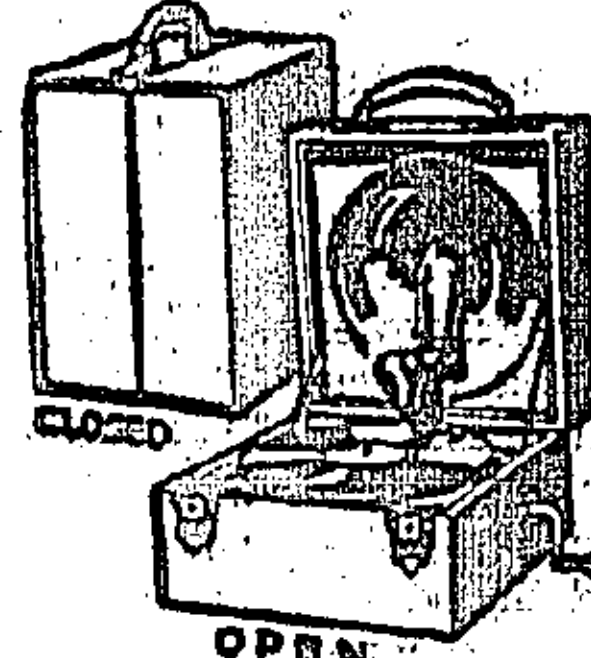
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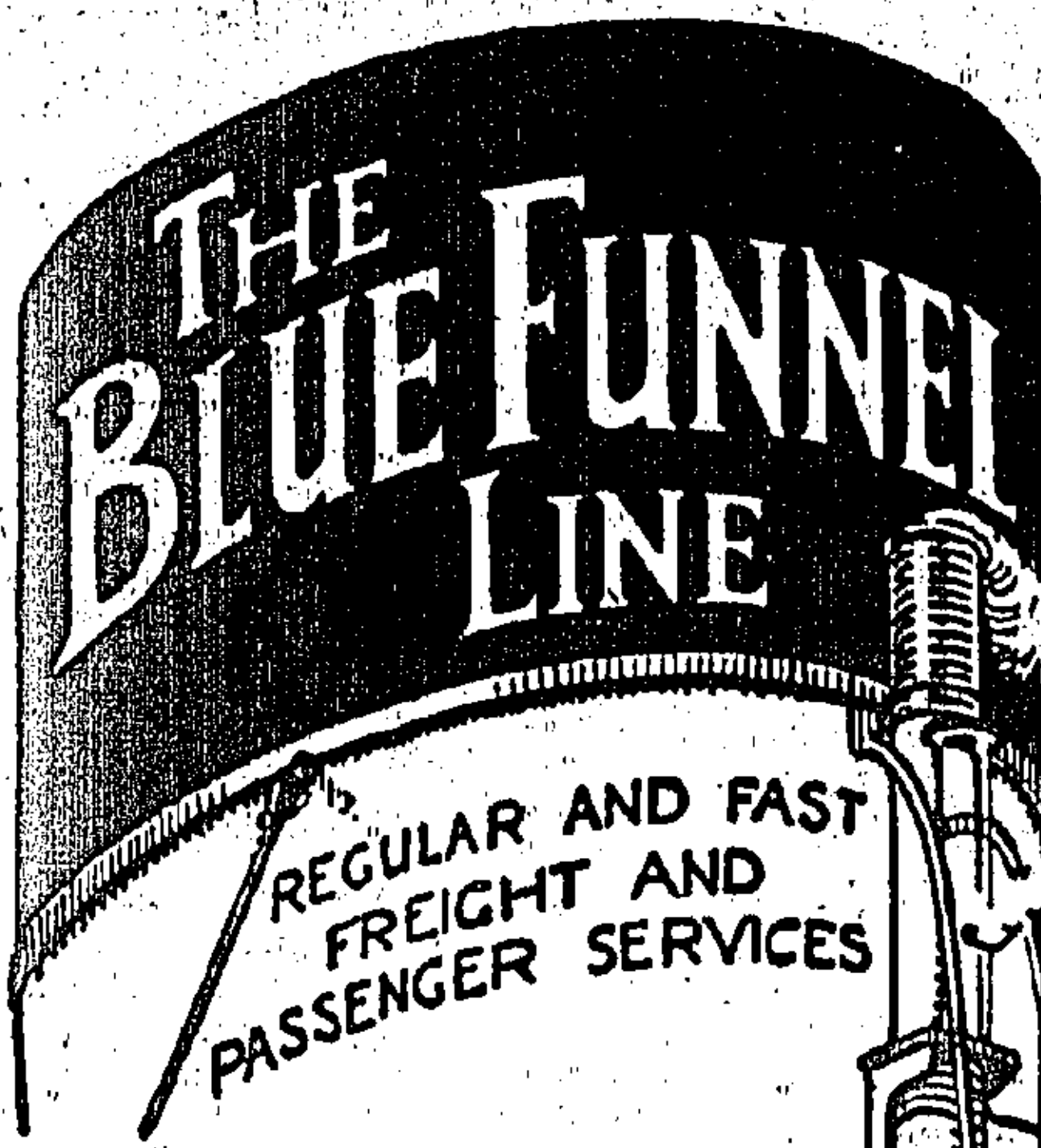
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**"TEXACOAT."**

FURTHER EVIDENCE IN HOMUNTIN CASE.

The acting Puisne Judge (Mr. J. H. B. Nihill) yesterday afternoon continued the hearing in the Summary Court of the case in which the Texas Company of Queen's Buildings, sued Mr. A. J. Lane, civil engineer and architect, for \$145.50 for work done and materials supplied to a house at No. 4 Liberty Avenue, Homuntin.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong (Messrs. Deacons) appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. F. G. Vaux (Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) for the defendant.

At Monday's hearing, evidence was given to the effect that the plaintiffs contracted to lay a number of Canton tiles along a part of the parapet of the roof of the house, which was in disrepair, and to apply two coats of a preparation known as "Texacoat" to the roof. It was contended that this had been done and the work carried out in a proper and workmanlike manner.

The Puisne Judge observed at the outset of the hearing yesterday afternoon, that the terms of the contract were not confined to the application of two coats of Texacoat, but a certain amount of roofing as well in order that "a satisfactory job" might be made.

**A "Watertight" Warranty.**

Mr. Armstrong said the whole question was whether the paragraph in the plaintiffs' letter in which they stated they would make a thoroughly satisfactory job, was a warranty that the roof would be made watertight. He contended it was nothing of the sort. A warranty to be binding had to be expressed in definite words and could not be contained in the general terms given in the letter.

Mr. Vaux said his contention was that the plaintiffs had contracted to make "a thoroughly satisfactory job" of the roof, and had not done so.

The Puisne Judge: The difficulty in this case is that there has been a certain amount of dilatoriness on both sides.

Owing to one of the defendant's witnesses leaving the Colony shortly, his evidence was taken first. Wong Ping-yu, the owner of No. 4 Liberty Avenue, told the Court that the work to the roof was commenced about the beginning of June. After the first day, a shower fell, and the workmen came and applied a second coating of Texacoat. A few days later, there was heavy rain and he discovered the roof still leaked. Between July 21st and September 15th Mr. Lane and himself applied another coating, obtained from a drum left on the premises by the plaintiffs' firm. This did not prevent the roof leaking.

On July 21st, heavy rain fell. "My house was flooded," the witness stated, "and I could not sleep." All the walls in the back bedroom were wet. The witness indicated on a plan the places where the water came in. He said he had refused to pay for the work until it had been completed properly. There was still a leaking in the roof of the house.

**Owner Cross-Examined.**

In cross-examination by Mr. Armstrong, the witness said he bought the house in 1923 and had a new wing constructed and the old building renovated in 1926. At that time the roof did not leak.

Mr. Armstrong: Was there any rain then?

Witness No, it was a dry time.

Mr. Armstrong: How long was it before the strike?

Witness: Only a day or two.

Mr. Armstrong: Well then, you can take it from me that it did rain and rain heavily. That was the time when I marched for miles in the rain.

The witness said the leakage was at the edge of the ceiling near the wall. During the heavy rain on July 21st, both water and Texacoat came through.

Karl Henry Robinson, marketing assistant for the Texas Company, spoke of having inspected both the roof and the rooms of No. 4 Liberty Avenue. He produced photographs taken by him on the occasion of his visit, showing cracks in the parapet, some as wide as a quarter of an inch and several inches long. There were no cracks in the roof itself, and the Canton tiles were firm. On the occasion of his visit after heavy rain, he found the walls inside noticeably moist, damp and stained, particularly in the corners, both in the rooms upstairs and down. There was no isolated damp spots on the ceiling.

At the conclusion of the witness' evidence, the case was adjourned until 11 o'clock



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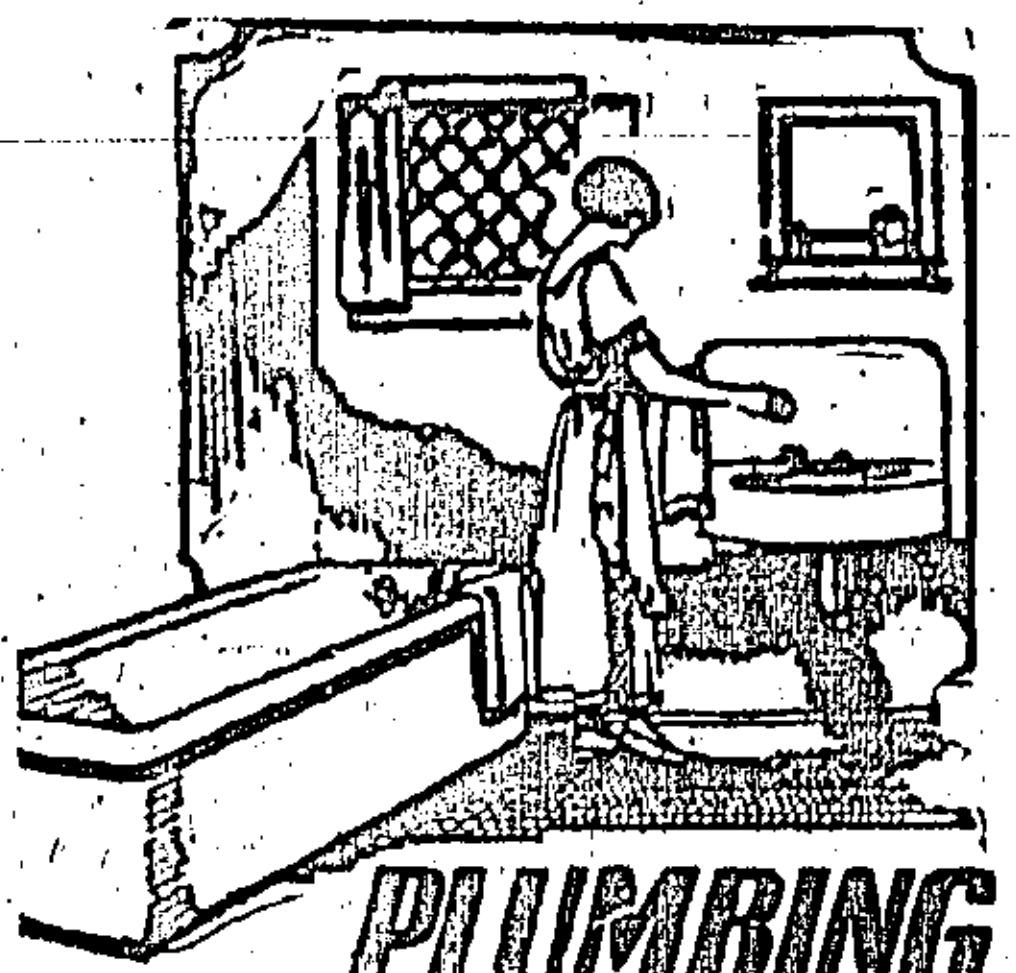
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## RED TYRANNY.

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compelled to sign promises. It was demanded of him not only that he rescind the 10 per cent. retrenchment ordered by the Mission Board on account of slack funds, but it was demanded of him that he write his Board in America for plenty of funds to run the hospital and Nurses' School as the striking children demand. And he was not to report to the Board any of the unpleasant incidents in connection with this compulsion.

## Embarrassing Hospital.

It was demanded of him that he must not refuse to receive new patients into the hospital even though nurses were on strike, and beggars and loafers were being gathered up purposely to embarrass the hospital.

He was censured for not keeping the Out-Patient Department open, and he was laughed to scorn by the jeering students and soldiers when he showed that it was a physical impossibility to give attention to student demands, official communications, and summons to the Magistrate's yamen, and at the same time to attend to Out-Patient clinics.

The sinister attitude of the authorities can be seen in the fact that the representative from the Political Bureau approached the doctor's interpreter after the long-drawn-out interview and in a threatening manner, accused him of being sympathetic with the foreigner.

## Manœuvre To Annoy Mission.

When the Mission took the matter up with the Magistrate and required his statement in writing, he conveniently denied the doctor's report, but nevertheless required that what the doctor had been compelled to sign be carried out in good faith.

It is all evidently a manœuvre to annoy the Mission into closing the hospital under such a disadvantage that the Political Bureau can step in and confiscate the property.

Already authority has passed out of the hands of the hospital staff. Nurses and helpers pay little heed to superintendent's orders. Daily, instruments and supplies that are kept under lock and key disappear. The training school nurses have already had the audacity to take down the official schedule and have substituted their own with the seal of the Students Union.

## WU'S IDLENESS.

(Continued from page 1.)

south of Huihsien and also removed their Headquarters to Hsinhsiang in order to avoid a clash with the Fengtien forces.

## Marshal Wu's Reply.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu, replying to a notification sent to him by Marshal Chang Tso-lin in connection with the despatch of Fengtien troops to Honan, has requested Marshal Chang first to tell the number of the troops to be sent and to refrain from advancing the troops beyond Changteh for the present, stating that if Marshal Chang agrees to his request, he will try to bring about a better understanding between his troops and the Fengtien-Shantung combined forces, so that an unforeseen conflict between the two forces resulting from misunderstanding may be avoided.

It is, however, observed in Chinese circles here that in as much as there prevails somewhat strong anti-Wu feeling among the members of the Liang Shih-yi faction of the Anfu Party, and of the Yeh Kung-ch'ao action, and as some members of these factions are planning to come to terms with the Southern forces in order to exclude Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, as well as Marshal Wu Pei-fu, Marshal Wu's efforts to dissuade Marshal Chang from advancing the troops to Honan may be unsuccessful.

Mr. Lloyd George has had Vita glass fitted in the windows of his house at Churt. The virtue of this glass is that it allows the violet rays, which are excluded by ordinary glass, to pass into a room, with the effect, of course, of increasing the energy of the occupants. I understand, says a Home writer, that there is no truth in the statement that Mr. Lloyd George insists, as a condition of complete reconciliation, on the Shadow Cabinet room being similarly fitted.

## A NEW HANKOW SITUATION.

(Continued from page 1.)

merall in charge of the U. S. Army. You can zone off a football field and fine players for entering forbidden squares but you cannot zone off Chinese territory in a Chinese civil war. The Nationalist Government is at war, not in a football game."

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Increases of pay ranking as high as 1,500 per cent., about half the year holiday each year, wages in advance are asked for, and one bright suggestion provides that a year's pay be reckoned on a basis of 15 months' pay.

## "DANCE MADNESS."

BRIGHT PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

If there are any Hongkong wives who desire to give their husbands a lesson on the dangers of becoming entangled with other men's wives, they will do well to take their consorts along to the Queen's Theatre to-day, where "Dance Madness," a Metro-Goldwyn attraction, is the main picture.

This is the story of how a wife cures her young husband of philandering, with the aid of a Russian dancer who had fascinated him. We will not disclose the tale, as it should be seen to be best appreciated, but we can say that the film is one of the brightest and funniest seen here for some considerable time. It is splendidly produced, whilst Conrad Nagel and Claire Windsor, who have the two chief roles, are really excellent.

Other features of the programme are a Gaumont news reel and a Christie comedy, entitled "Done In Oil."

## ROUTE MARCH.

SUCCESSFUL VOLUNTEER PARADE.

A very successful route march was held by the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps last evening, about 200 members of the Corps, drawn from all sections, being on parade.

The band of the Suffolk Regiment kindly attended and, with the assistance of their files, provided excellent marching music—much appreciated by the marchers. A route to West Point and back was taken, large crowds of sight-seers assembling at various points. Interest was specially marked through "China-town" along the whole route of Queen's Road and Queen's Road West.

The Commandant (Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird) was in command, and the officers on parade included the Corps new Adjutant (Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray).

## NOT DEAF.

DEFENDANT WHO GAVE HIMSELF AWAY.

An amusing sequel has developed from the case which was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday and remanded to enable the Court to consider the position created by the statement that the defendant was stone deaf and illiterate, and therefore unable to understand the charge or the sentence imposed.

It transpires that during the period of a twenty-four hours' remand and detention in the Gaol Hospital, the defendant was kept under secret observation, and the result of this was communicated to the Magistrate this morning when the defendant again appeared in Court.

His Worship:—Can you hear better this morning?

Defendant, who still preserved that blank look which had hitherto completely deceived a good many on-lookers, repeated what he had said many times before—that he could not understand.

His Worship:—Still pretending? Do you know you were kept under observation in the Gaol Hospital yesterday? As soon as you thought you were alone, you talked with your next-door neighbour?

Defendant, who was charged with being in possession of five tael of opium of Chinese origin, was fined \$500, or three months' hard labour.

## GODOWN COMPANY.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., for the year ended 31st December, 1926, states:

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The Directors recommend the following:—To pay a dividend of 85 per share, \$480,000; to carry forward \$332,733.68.

The Directors record with much regret, the death of Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Kt. C.M.G. Messrs. A. S. D. Cousland and Allan Cameron retire according to the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, Incorporated Accountants, and Linstead and Davis, Chartered Accountants, have audited the accounts now presented and offer themselves for re-election.

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## EARTHQUAKE-STRICKEN REGION.



The above map shows the north coast of the Adriatic Sea where the Bosnia, Herzegovina and Dalmatian states of Yugoslavia have been visited by a disastrous earthquake. The towns of Spalato, Sarajevo and Mostar are among those mentioned as having suffered damage and casualties.

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## NAVAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT.

## CONGESTION IN LIST OF LIEUT.-COMMANDERS.

The Admiralty has published an Order designed to relieve the congestion at the top of the Lieutenant-Commanders' List, which will doubtless be welcomed by the small number of officers who are affected by it. Briefly, Lieutenant-Commanders who reached the age of 40 or over by the end of last year are to be allowed to retire at once on the maximum pension of their rank, for that is how the Order will work out in the majority of cases.

Few of these officers will have had less than 18 years' full-time service to their credit at the age of 40, and the Order states that they will be allowed to count time for pension as if they remained on the active list and were continuously employed until the age of forty-five. Most, therefore, will be able to make up the time for the full pension of their rank—£450 a year. This could not otherwise have been earned until well over the age of 42.

## 70 Officers Affected.

There are just over 900 officers on the Lieutenant-Commanders' List, of whom some 220 have passed the promotion zone and can hope for no further advancement. Of these only some 70 come within the new offer. It is, therefore, unlikely that the new Order will do much to remove the block at the top of the list. Perhaps, however, it is the forerunner of other proposals. At any rate the officers affected are to be congratulated upon being

offered practically the same conditions of retirement as Commanders of about their own age. For, under the present Regulations, a Commander does not become entitled to a pension of £450 until he has completed 23 years' full time service. He cannot do this until he is over 42, and then only if he has had no half-pay.

The state of affairs at the top of the Commanders' List is as bad as, if not worse than, that in the lower rank. There are just over 400 Commanders on the list, and after the half-yearly promotions at the end of this month, nearly 100 of them will have passed the promotion zone. Numbers of these officers are found about the age of 42 or 43, and are those who have won the higher rank at an early age by war service and hard work. They have all been Commanders for eight years or more, and many of them will have to serve for some time longer before they can obtain pensions that are appreciably better than those now being offered to the Lieut-Commanders.

It is an anomaly which, it is to be hoped, their Lordships will be able to remove by the introduction of some such scheme for Commanders as is now being used for the lower rank. As is well known, the majority of naval officers are not rich men and have to find something to do on retirement to supplement their pensions. These senior Commanders will have to retire eventually, and it would be fairer to let those who wish go soon, for it is far easier to find employment in civil life when under, rather than over, the age of 45.